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SECRECS over since the beginning, and now FGM and all you readers are going to have a look at the future of garning. (That was boile, it lets feet your. Did

was lopic I just fed you. Did you full for it? Probably, and why shouldn't you? Everyone in the guning community, including this magazine, hos been souting the U64 as the most incredible system on the planet, and maybe it is:

However, before you get hared anto saving every penney you've got just to buy a US4 (or NS4 in Japon), inh. the time so look at the full picture and buten to what I hove to say.

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during the US-1 laws no doubt Nizzado will stand behind its new boby for a long time to come. I'm start will be a good system, but I just don't expeceveryone to path our and buy it for its near \$300 price (unless you didn't buy a new system this year). I'm a frish III mile systelf at bosse playing my PlayStation on the Usen 64 lenneb dats. Stery.



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the wicked, kitty-hurling villains and brain-liquifying puzzles, your grip on reality (not to mention self-respect) will be seriously tested







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Check out our exclusive coverage starting on page 74.



The long awaited Ultra 64 is no longer vaporware. Now for the first time, Nintendo raises its curtain of secrecy to give the gaming press the first look at what may be the most powerful home system eyer. The Ultra 64, powerhouse of the future?





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"You'll need all of these [weapons] to beat back the tide of enemies that relentlessly attack."







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THE BEST VIDEO CAME NEWS



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Sega The Forecast: Should the Satura talter in the face of Sony and erde, Sego could very well do Its bardware manufacturing to cope eige and focus on software publishing on various platforms.



Panasonic The Forecast, This electronics cangiomerate has the money and marketing gover to sell the M2 to a mass market. But it's betting a lot on other parties such as 300 to chure out killer games.

Four Systems. One Market: Who'll

hen there are too many cooks in the video-asme ktahen.

someone's liable to get burned come Christman In the meantime, the top four video hardware platforms slated for 1996-the Utra 64 the Saturn, the PlayStation and M2-will coexist in an unstable market that no one company will dominate this summer.

That's the conclusion reached by company officials and industry analysts as they look toward 1996; a year in which 16-Bit systems will walk into the sunset and the nextceneration systems will rise

Who's in chorne Analysts agree that the 1996 market will decline as the shift from 16-Bit goes into full swing. Aside from one or two big titles, many developers will abandon Sega Genesis and Super NES development 'Under the most likely scenario, we see a split of

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prayer. It's too little, too late ang." - Analyst Bariel Cole

"It medde't surprise me if Sega bullet the plug on its ardware system." -Analyst Mile

the marketplace for the next-generation systems," said market analyst David Cole "Basically, four platforms wil survive-the Ultra 64, assuming Nintendo will deliver as promised: the Saturn: the PlayStation and 3DO will continue to have their foot in the door," and widen that foothold should the M2 win acceptance. Analyst Mike Wallace of UBS

Securifies suggested that Segs may exit the hardware business altogether in favor of software titles. "Now that Metsushife has decided to on with the M2 full force, it wouldn't surprise me if Seco pulled the plug on its hardware system and developed for someone else, maybe the M2 "I don't think the Saturn's going to last," he edded. Sega officials would no

comment on such a prospect On the woy out Analysts are putting the Atari. CD-i end Genesis 32) systems to rest in 1996. "Atari, we don't think they

Hardware sales (in millions

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Nintendo The Ferenat: Make no mistake, the iltra 64 will sell like betraken if it's delivered with a \$250 price too. But a higher price and expansive carts could prevent the system from reaching blockbuster sales.

Win It All?

have a chance, not a prayer," Cole said. "Originally, we said if they could back up the Jaguar with quality software in '95 then they could do okay But it's too little, too late now. "I don't give them much of a

shot," he concluded. As far as other platforms go, analysts said Neo-Geo will remain a nyche market in danger of folding, and Bandar's multimedia Pippin system will prove

too expensive to market as a video-came console Neither Atari nor Sega officials say they are giving up on the Jaquar or 32X systems. "We haven't abandoned the 32X * said Mike Ribero, Seca

vice president of marketing. "I won't lie to you, we acrewed up with 32X. We overpromised and underdelivered.* However, Ribero contended that Sega is evolving its game library to sustain the 32X market in '96 The major players Both Sega and Sony will

remain neck and neck. (Continued on Prop. 20)

INTERNET SATURN

UPDATE inst, the good news: Sometime after April, the Internet Salum will but the market in Japan.

ing owners to access the Internet-and play Saturn games to bloot.

en, software and keyboard) and investigating expanded Saturn internet possibilities, such as

recision, according to a Sega of The peripherals that would hook up to the Saturn would be bundled together in a special package that Net access via

the Sega Satura Now here's the not-so-good-news A U.S. version of the Inferret Sa

may not have the marketing impact ew home PCs allowing people to sman. As a result, Jap companies are tooking at other hardware options for that service.

With the number of PCs out in the U.S., [Internet access] Sega of America, he said the focus is currently on Internet content—such as Web pages—rather than access

makes sense in

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obstacles in the

US market

could hinder

a widespread

release.

ever Stevens did note several of Sepa of America's product developers are researching the product, and its tea slottly in the U.S. market. But gamers will have to wait until Sega of Japan's effort to get Saturns linked to the Internet doveteils mostly with another project that is under way Japanese carmaker Nascan will use Sega Saturns to help sell

its cars, by placing the 32-Bit systems in 3,000 dealerships Each system will play an interactive Video CD, which shoppers can watch to find information on new car models The Saturn system will replace the older method of playing sales vidootopes. Furthermore, these Saturns will be linker up to the Internet so shoppers can access Nissan's Interne

Virtual-realty peripheral make create a series of

centers based on Steve Jackson's Car Wars game, The company plans to se up a prototype site in Chicago in 1998 which will let gamers go head to head in a racing combat game (tentatively named Autodueli, Additional plans call for develop ment of a PC CD-ROM game that will allow online play to the site from home. Should the Chicago site prove successful VictorMaxx wil set up other centers in

> 300 has promoted Chief Operating Officer Hugh Martin to company president. he move coincides with a \$100 million deal with teushita for

other major cities.

the 64-Bit M2 system technology, "Hugh played the central role in successfully building our partnership with Matsushita, said previous 300 President Trin

Hawkins, who remains chairman and CEO Martin will oversee technology development and overall operations, while Hawkins will focus on software development, he said

The star of the Segre Saturn name Buol could be making his way to the television tube Some has to Souri to Mehione an animated television show producer, about a possible acting gig for Bug. "Bug! certainly has the notential to be a defining game-and

character," said Saturn product manager Richmond According go officials. Bud's rising popularity has promoted them to create a special Buni



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Web page that can be found at http://www.

network technology to the PC, specifically targeting Windows 95 and Intel Pentum users Jourine Xilland in the effort are three big-time game makers that are creating

XBand-compatible PC camer: Concom (Super Street Fighter

/HordBall 5) and him (Locue). The software devel coed for XBand will w users to access online news, track strestics and match up with other players with elevitor etrito

analysts predict "The problem Sony has is herm a lame comoration there's a let of innernal entitle over the marketing of the PlayStation * supposted Cyle. who disagreed with other analysts regarding Sony's perceived edge in 1996. He contended Sony's software publishing predentials remain a question mark (although Sony officials are more than harmy with its in-house titles thus fart Waltons heliavas Saev wit configue to guesall Saga







Four Systems, One Market: Who'll Win It All?

If Matsushita can unleash its full marketing might behind the M2. They could probably do a killer [sales] job," Cole said. Tim skenting how though do in terms of backing it "Nittlendo is used to having

the dominant market share but they won't have that anymore even in the best-case scenario" with the Ultra 64, Cole said. The \$250 price point will make or break it with namers in 1996, he added



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64 will remain the wild cords.



ILTRA 64

equal of Nintendo Ultra 64.

That statement from Nictsevin Co. President Hiroshi Yamauchi has not fors. As Nintendo weaves a spell

bottle plans weak points, and as the Littra 66's bunch nears, competitors tell how they's exulab those work points to fight the Littre 64

Mike Ribero, Sega executive vice president of

As the system nears between \$39-59. While Sony has launch competitors

> Factor. Panasonic will not bring spokesperson Bill Gerdner. But should the

Ultra 64 software not live up to Nintendo's self-prodeimed high standards, then the M2

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THUMB BREAKS FOUR WORLD RECORDS





➤ The living room- At exactly 8:37 p.m. ET, the blue suy crossed the firmsh line pearly two minutes. ahead of the red guy in Val d'Isere Skiing and Snowboarding" to topole There "in so have the fourth world record in India save country the fourth world record in I was two days ago." two days. It started Finday meht with a moved-breaking 140 points

in NBA Jam" Tournament Edition, followed only hours later by a new speed record in Super Burnout." There is no T in "HAND," Thumb said. "Every finger played a role." By 1:34 p.m. Satorday. Thumb added a 14-stadium reign in Supercross 3D." The rest, as they say, is history.

▶ The deal- Moments after the fourth record was shattered, sports attorney Bob Prichard said his client and the sports world were still far apart in terms of contract proofutions Prichard cited the discrepency between his client's salary and those of other much less valuable body parts like the big too, guaranteed \$5.6 million per year, and the right evolvow, which

cares a cool \$6.2 million plus incentives. The injury- "If we were talking about a ninky it would be just another hangnari," Dr. Arnold Markovitz said "But when you're talking Thumb, you're

talking potential career-ending injury." ▶ The system- After the tickertage welcome home puride, Thumb dedicated his second-breaking performance to the Atar Jaguer system, and encouraged thumbs everywhere to hitchhike to their local video come storms and nick one up for the holiday



How The Records Fell











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ner out a deal with ICE that would

eloping technology from ICE's endeavor. and apply it to future Segg products. The Atori Jaguar hasn't exactly lit up its

hasn't dissuaded the pany from opening up the nation's first Jaguar Mall Store in Atari teamed up with computer retailer

petition, but that

Rum PC to open the store, which uses hands-on demos and displays to sell Lynx and Jaguar products

Ruppersup Rob Lewis, 12, and winner ke Dobbins, 19, emerged as the top Rage Video Game October at Six Flags

ome platforms.

SEGA'S BOLD

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's no easy feat vi Nintendo boasts sales of video games like McDonald's doss with hamburners. Over 1 billion served. That's the landmark number the

company reached in October of how many video games have been said since the first Mario game came

out in the easy '80s Bouchly half that number comes fro NES cartridos sales worldwide, while the other half comes from Super NES and Game Boy game sales.

According to Nintendo, ma hillion mark means the company has sold games at the rate of three per second of every minute of every day for 12 years running.

Papyrus Design which has made a name for itself in the PC car racing field, is porang over two of its best fittes to the Sege Saturn and Somy PlayStation spokesperson

Interactive, which oublishes Papyrus' games, said NASCAR Recognition and come out for the PlayStation, and Indy Car Racing will come out for the Seca Saturn, Both games are due for a release sometime later this year

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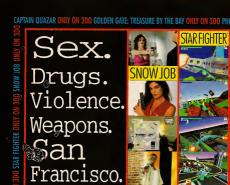












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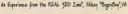
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...That sums it up for this installment of the Q-Mann report. Look for some fielder life from the floor of the Shootinkali Show in Japan, as well as a special report on a new system that you won't believe! Check it out next month...same Qtime, same Q-spec...

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CHEAT SHEET: Level Select and all Rivenzints At the Main Meso Screen enter LEFT, UP, LEFT, LEFT, A. B. Y which spolls kullabu. wy you can choose your

> you want and play a normal game. After you choose your hero and weapons, the

After the trick is put in, you The Level Select Screen will may select your hore.

This trick will let you access a level select and acquire all of the blueprints in the game. To do this, you must go to the Main Menu Screen (with Normal Game one player, Control Method etc.) and press LEFT, UP. LEFT, LEFT, A. B. Y. The screen will fissh when the trick is entered correctly.

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Now you can get to the more difficult levels with ease Level Select Screen will appear. From here, pick your level and stage Robert Ngu

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fait for the cinema to play

sli the way through.

on you reach the Sis

Select, you'll have more

CHEAT SHEET:

UP, LEFT, DOWN, RIGHT. LIP TRIANGLE, LIP RIGHT. Access More Sleds DOWN, LEFT, UP, CIRCLE. You'll hear a faint explosion When you go to the Sled

At the Title Screen where it saus, "Push Start Button," Selection Screen, move all the way to the right and you enter UP, LEFT, DOWN, RIGHT, can access more sleds! UP. TRIANGLE, UP. BIGHT. John Hodnovich; Bucktown, N INN. LEFT. UP. CIRCLE

To do this trick, you must

weit for the gnening cinema to pass. When the Title Screen appears with the words, "Press Start Button,"

As seen as this screen seesses, do the trick.

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Working Designs

Sega CD To get the real ending for CHEAT SHEET:

The Real Ending oque" to get e's real ending.

System

the game, beat Zophar and wait for the credits to roll Once the system has rebooted check your saves and there should be an additional slot called "Epilogue." After accessing, you will get the real four- to six-hour ending



Access "Epilogus" from the men

VIRTUA FIGHTER

Publisher System 32X Sega At the Player Select, on on Akira and press LEFT.

CHEAT SHEET: Play as the Boss, Dural

The first player should be on Akira. The second player should be on Jacky. Do the trick as shown to

neses the Rose Bursi

RIGHT (in sequence five times). For a Vs. match, the



second player should be on Jacky and press RIGHT, LEFT (in sequence five times). Shouni Jones: Columbus, GA



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To get a random select

for your wrestler, just began

a one- or two-player game. Have player one highlight

highlight Bazor Barrion.

simultaneously on these characters to get a random

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System

Genesis

Pause the game and you'll be able to enter any one of BALL: (B. A. LEFT, LEFT) X and Y coordinates will

> CHEAT SHEET: BALL, DRACULA

and CALL A CAB Pause the game and

these ordes:

enter BALL DRACULA OR CALLACAB. You may reverse the effect bu ring the code again

VECTORMAN rentane Ventorman's liver

DRACULA: (DOWN, RIGHT, A. C. LIP, LEFT, A) Game slows down after you get hit. CALLACAR: (C. A. LEFT. LEFT, A. C. A. B) You turn into an arrow. You can move all around and kill everything

except the Bosses. Corey Jolley: Niagara Falls, Canada

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the X and Y coordinates



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Entertainment/Super NES)

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> Nicholas Samosia Brooklyn, NY



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System Genesis

CHEAT SHEET: At the Password Serson

Playmates Interactive Entertainment When the Title Screen appears, move to "Password" and onter the name. DAVIDL. New oo back to the Options and you will be able to access a new Octions Screen with stage select

eliect after you're lift



Shawn Lebbon; Rochester, NY Access this Sugret Ontone Screen Namco

WEAPONLORD System Super NES

music, etc.

CHEAT SHEET Play as Zarak in Story Mode

in the Octions, move down to the password entry and put in AYA YBS BYA AAY YBY AAA. You may now iek Zarak

From the Title Scroon. access the Options and move to the password entry at the bottom of the screen.

earn the Ontions Spring antique the code as shown here

Now enter the code: AYA YBB BYA AAY YBY AAA You will now be able to pick Zorak from the Story Model



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Get back into the game immediately with Power Swap.**

Power Swap gives you a permanent replacement unit NOW. You'll

be back into the game with no wait and little expense!!

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Call for the nearest repair cente

Get back in the game!





CODES

WARHAWK

Here are the level codes for Warhawk: Level 2: Canyon-Circle, Triangle, Triangle X Circle Circle Square Level 3: Airship-X. Triancle, X. Square, Square, Triangle, Square

Level 4: Volcano Square, Triangle, X, X, X Triangle, Circle, Square Lovel 5: Gauntlet Triangle, Circle, Triangle Circle, Triangle, X, Square Level 8: Stormland

Square, Circle, X, Circle,

Ricky Liu Los Angeles, CA MORTAL

KOMBAT 3 (Sony/PlayStation) Players one and two Screen with the Square then Triangle, then the Circle builton. The number indicates the times you

Combo system disabled: P1(722)-P2(722) Los Angeles, CA



System

PlayStation

WARHAWK

Publisher Sony

From this Menu Screen epiect the "Special Accese."

Kali Mede sives Ultre Lock One end Super Swarmers.

Sega

CHEAT SHEET:

put in Square, Circle, Square, Square, Triangle, X, Triangle, Triangle for Thor Thor and Kali Mode

Mode, which will give you 9999 Flash Bombs, Enter X Circle, Circle, Square, X, Triangle, Circle, Triangle for Kell Mode, which will ove you eight Ultra Lock-Ons

Thar Hade: Square, Girale Square, Square, Triangle, X. Triongle, Triongle, Kali Mode: X. Grote, Circle, Square, X, Trinagle, Circle, Trippolo

To access two new modes,

go to the Main Menu Screen. Move down and highlight the words, "Special Access." Enter the Code Screen and

CHEAT SHEET

weird and coal, new his

You will have to fight a

doesn't matter if you win or

lose. After it's over, the "Final

Statishes* Scroon will annear

Wait for the screen to say "Press Start to Continue

Enter the following codes on controller two (which must be a six-button controller): Chicken: MODE, UP, C. UP. MODE, Y. Y. RIGHT, MODE, Snake: B. Y. UP. UP. C. X. LEFT, UP, X. Y.

Thanctos: MODE C Y A B

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and 24 Super Swarmers

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ETERNAL CHAMPIONS: CHALLENGE FROM THE DARK SIDI System Publisher

Sega CD UP. B. B. Y. Z. C.

Hooter: X. C. RIGHT, X. B. RIGHT, Z. A. MODE, UP Access Hidden Fighters Mankey: Y. X. DOWN, B. MODE UP Y UP UP At the "Final Statistics" LEFT, Z. UF Screen, enter the codes Chin Wor B 7 LIP MODE RIGHT, C. B. UP, Y. UP. shown to reveal these

Senstor: RIGHT, C. C. A. X. MODE

Blast: Z, LEFT, Y, UP, X, B. MODE, RIGHT, UP. If you bear a "Dino" the code worked. Go to the

> see the new players! Eric Goldstei Norwalk, CT

At the Plever Select Scr you can access nine mer

master with ... a chicken?

Yapov: Y Y UP DOWN Z MODE, DOWN, Z. UP, UP, X LEFT, MODE, B, DOWN, X

Character Select Screen to

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System 3DO

Crystal Dynamics

CODES MORTAL

KOMBAT Genesis)

Players one and two must enter these button combinations on the Vs Screen with the A, then B then the C button. The number indicates the times ton. These Vs. Screen codes are explusive to the Genesis version

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> Jerry Bell alch Springs, TX



this VS. screen cade.

CHEAT SHEET: Stage Select

At the Dome Screen, press P to pause. Then while holding the R button press: LEFT, C. DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT, RIGHT, UP, RIGHT, RIGHT

CHEAT SHEET:

The following is a Stade Select Menu to bring you to other stages in the game. While in the Dome room, press P to pause. Then,

press: LEFT, C, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT, RIGHT, UP.

RIGHT RIGHT A Menu Screen should pop up listing all the stages of the game Note: Certain stages cannot be accessed because they were changed before the game's release

GEX

while holding the R button.







ar, if done correctly. cautious; he doesn't play fair Publisher

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COMIX ZONE

System

Genesis Make Sketch Fart IN on the B-os

Is this a loke or what? Here is a humorous trick to make the cartoon hero Sketch Turner, pass oas Just press DOWN rapidly on the D-pad when enemies are clear. Sketch will start rippin' them.





WEAPONLORD

System Super NES

nd he'll start up

CHEAT SHEET: Random Character Selection

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In order to surprise your opponent and yourself with a randomly selected character. just access any mode, hold

SELECT and press arry button at the Character Selection Screen via the Internet



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> Nick Brockway Garland, TX

OFF-WORLD INTERCEPTOR EXTREME System

Saturn

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the Options Menu press: A

CHEAT SHEET:

B, C (sex times) then but the Money Trick

While in the Betimes enu enter: A. B. C (6X)

then noess the LEFT hutton. You should hear missiles if done correctly

In order to cam a ton o

cash to build up your vehicle

with extra supplies that you broils foblion vilsemon enter the following. While in

System

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ton Left Shift button. You should hear missiles fly, if done correctly. Now, go take a look at your cash. You should have gained a few extra pennies!

Luke Bovil ipricho, VI

OPTIONS

At this screet, you th enter the messy code.

Options to ceter the code.



get tons o' money!

Rapid Fire rounds.

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American Laser Games

CHEAT SHEET Various Cheats

The following cheats can be entered by both players in a two-player game but cannot be entered in

onus munds

All power-up codes should be entered at the Level Intro Screen, just before the game begins. The codes are Regard Fire: B. C. A. C. A. C. Carle De F F F F F Super Shield C. A. B. A. B. Full Power-up: A, C, C, A,

In order to access a Secret Options Menu, just hold the L and C buttons anytime during the beginning video cinema. You will be able to change the difficulty and blood settings.





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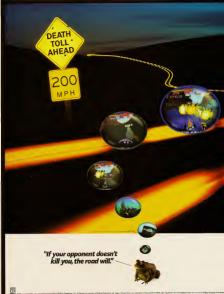
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The Nintendo 64 is unveiled in Japan and more questions are raised than answered. games that

he **EGM** editors caught up with Howard Lincoln, the chairman of Nintendo of America, at the recent Shoshinkai Trade Show in Japan and got the latest information on their new Ultra 64 game system which is scheduled to be launched in America in late April 1996.

FGM:

One of the

main nynhiama

that we have

been hearing

has to do with

the tack of

TIME TO PINISH THE LAUNCH GAMES

they are work ing on, you will see more information in the near future. EGM: But

there was an embargo on Information until the Shoshinka Show Lincoln: We didn't want



them to get ahead of us prior to the show but hereafter if you want to show something that's fine.

FCM Why wasn't the Ultra name used in Lincoln: I think there were some trademark issues.

EGM: There have hoon rumors that the Nintendo 64 wasn't

relationship but that it is a very strong title for the Japanese market. Mr Yamouchi was being very candid when he said

he was waiting until April 21 because his people need a little bit more time to finish the launch games to a level that they are satisfied with, Mr. Mrvamoto

also has a huge influence on launch dates in the sense that he wants to put more into Super Mano 64. We don't want to rush introductions because the retailers, media or financial analysts say we should Yamouchi's answer is that we don't have to

> do anything other than protect our shareholders

EGM: Are you

confidentiality agreements with the Dream Team members. That has to do principally with the specifications of the technology. In terms of the type of What's it like to go

information being released about the

Ultra 64, its games and the games of

the Dream Team, Will that be changing

now that the system has been officially launched?

Lincoln: We have very strong

isunched in Jean this month because of the release of Dragon Quest 6. Lincoln: I don't think it had any direct



still on track with a \$250 launch price? Lincoln. The hardware is going to be under \$250 in the U.S. I don't know whether we will pack in software or not There are no plans to launch at a \$199 price. We will not sell the hardware at less than cost.

EGM. Will there be a hardware lockout



Lincoln: We are shooting for a hardware system that is essentially the same worldwide. In terms of compatibility, we have not made a final decision on that but if the past is a guide, we have been

very proactive against counterfeiters. EGM: All the hype was that there would be 100 systems and 10 games here at the show What happened?

Lincoln: The games that we have in the cue are in various stages of

What's this?

along in development and it is easier for people to see how Mario operates in real time 3-D. Yamouchi did not want. the gress and the game players to play five to 10 games in various stages of development and leave the Mario game fully unexploited. Yamouchi made the final decision. ECM: Some games were notably absent like Coise 1154 Why? Lincoln: Mario Kart was further along in

development so we showed that Cruisn' will be available at launch along with two more games. ECM. The games will be about \$100 in Japan. How much in the U.S.? Lincoln: In the U.S. the price will be in the \$50-\$70 range, or similar to what the 16-Bit cames are now.

ECM: Is some of the difference due to the new low price on the 64-Mea chip? Lincoln: I can't go in to the technological reason as to why our 64-Meg cart will be cheaper than our present 32-Meg games, but it will.

ECM: Will all games be 54-Meg? Lincoln: It is the starting point. They can go as high as 258-Meg.

When will the meanetk cotical ditus come out?

Lincoln: Before the end of 1996: You'll see the product before the next Shoshinksi Show

EGM: Where would it connect to the Ultra? There is no expansion port and we can't see the bottom of the system. Lincoln: As you say, you can't see under it. Good observation.

ECM; What is the purpose of the artridge port on the controller? Lincoln: The idea for this is that you can customize some of your games. You can store the way you set up your baseball team

and take the controller to somebody else's house and play the game your CARTRIDGES WILL way. Ken Griffey BE CHEAPER THAT Baseball is being OUR PRESENT MEGABIT GAMES

developed now and it will take full advantage of that feature. ECM: Who do you consider to he you compettor? Lincoln: One of the things we're not

going to do is trash our competitors. Do we have more concern over one than another...no, not really. You tend to see in this business that competitors go up and down. It has more to do with quality of games than anything else.

EGM: Now that you have given us this information, will Nintendo go back in seclusion for the next few months? Lincoln: We have a tendency to do that as this is the way we've done business in the past. These kinds of things have more to do with our capacity to get that information out. You're dealing with the parent company, you're dealing with Japan, the U.S., with third-party developers and all that. Quite frankly, sometimes it's a lot easier to just wait and give everything out at one time



Ultra 64 debuts in Japan

Nintendo unveils their new 64-Bit system and gaming will never be the same...



he Nintendo Ultra 64 made its official debut at the Shoshinkai Show in Japan and the **EGM** editors were among the first to try out the new game system That's the good news. The bad news is that the system was locked up in

out" added section of plastic of a different color that contained the power supply (see

photo). Hmmm...nah. thai couldn't be the result of the overheat ing rumor of the past That askto the systems were quite real each

nunning enovially nrenared EPPOMe of Super Mario 64 or Kirts Rowl 64. The present configuration of the system looks very much like

the earlier photos with the cartridge port on the top. four controller norte on the front and a DOWN

supply an

audio/video port on the back. The Ultra 64 will use the same AN cables as those used

on the Super Nintendo. There were no apparent expansion parts on either of the sides and the bottom was not visible. but Nintendo officiale stated that that is where the expansion port for the ordinal drive will be

located Recarding system sners. Nintendo is analo quite secretive and yaque. A listing of the 'official' specs is duplicat-

ed below

VIDEO GAME MACHINES Ultra 64 SYSTEM SPECS:

MIPS 64-Bit RISC CPU (Customized OCK SPEED: 93.75 MHz MORY Rambus D-RAN 36 M bit ANSPER SPEED: Maximum 4,500 M

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STANDARDS OF

RCP SP (Sound and graphics processor) and DP (pixel draw EEGLETTON: 256 x 224 - 640 x 480 dots flicker free interlace mode

COLOR. 32-Bit ROBA pixel color frame 21-Bit color wideo outry exture-mapping, tri-linear filtered ripman interpolation; parapective

prrection; environment mapping recury 2.42 pound All specifications accurate as o



plastic and could only be looked at. In addition, while appearing ready for production, upon closer inspection.

we discovered that there was a susoi ciously "bumped-



ULTRA 64 CONTROLLER



Nintendo's new controller combines both functionality and ease of use in one stick,



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obvious functions that we described in last month's usue, there are a host of new features that Nintendo was holding back as surprises for the show that need additional mention.

First there is the cartridge slot. Similar in concept to the memory card on the PlayStation, Nintendo has done one better. With the cart in the controller rather than in the machine, you can be playing a game at home, save the game information to the cart and later take your controller (and memory cart) to a friend's house, plug it into your friend's machine and all of your settings

are automatically downloaded into your friend's system! Now you can play a two-player game and each of you will be able to use your own game settings or custom controller configurations. Second. like the Super NES con-

troiler, there is a Left and Right tripper button on the top of the controller

Third, on the underside of the middle arm is a 7 (third dimensign) trippe

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ways to hold the controller. Holding the right and middle arms allows for the best control in 3-D games. Using the left and center arms offers the best features for right-handed players. and holding the left and right arms provides

control found on the standard Super NES controls. The four vellow buttons (called the

also serve as the control that changes your perspective or view of the game In Ken Griffey 64 Baseball it will allow for separate movement of the fielders independent of the team Lastly, like the new Game Boys

will come in black, red, vellow, purple, blue, green or grey. It should be noted



accommodate any possible use either in two- or three-dimensional game-



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Other new

SUPER MARIO 64





"BREAKING AWAY

and grabbing onto enemies. If you get

game be without a water level? Well, this 64-Bit Mario has a now twist on the classic water theme. In the world Deep Deep Water, Mario has only a limited supply of oxygen. Yup, he no longer has an unlimited supply of air. You have to surface, all while dodging sharks.

By taking a look at the pictures on this page, you can easily tell that this is an adventure like no other. The new perspective coupled with all-new play



shot out of a cannon, you can even fly. It is also possible to look up and down. You can use this trick to see what the underside of a Thwomp block looks like This game also gives our favorite plumber new animations which result in more comical reactions. There is one humorous action where Mario burns his rump by some fireballs. Marlo then grabs his butt and flies upward in agony, while at the same time crossing

Like the previous Mano adventures, there are many themed zones ranging from the Rocky Mountains to loe World Each zone has new challenges. There is even a bonus level where Mario has to on down a slide collection coins. You can use the 3-D stick to accelerate and slow down, not to mention turn. What

would a Mario



ultimate Mario adventure. The visuals and sound are too-notch, with the graphics comprised of texture-manned polygons. It makes full use of the 3-D controller for

all of the tricks and strategies

system. Breaking away from the usual 2-D boundanes that plagued the senes, this new game offers more techniques as well as a unique perspective. Super Mario 64 was one of the two actually playable titles to appear at Shoshinkai. Mario can use his usual complement of moves: running and jumping

He can now conthem with climit





Be sure to check out future issues when we blow out this game to its fullest. Super Mario 64 is a huge title with marry elements never before

With loads of special effects and pyrotechnics we're pretty sure you're going to went to play this one till you drop!







KIRBY BALL 64

irby. Nintendo's supernatural mascot, is appearing in a 64-Bit cartridge of his own. Entitled Kirby Ball 64, players control Kirby on a variety of wavy surfaces trying to knock out enemies. Kirby can also be a two-, three- or four-player simultaneous game with everyone trying to knock each other off of the edge. At first glance Kirby Ball 64 resembles the

old Super NES game



larly in the way the playfields are set up. However, with the power of the U64, the 3-D effects are really wild, as you can see







PILOT WINGS 64



The original flying title that helpad issured the Super Networks or scheduled for release on the Utra 64. The original 16-84 version used previously unseen scaling and rotation shiftles to imprese players with the ability of the machine's processing power And what better way to introduce their newest system than to have a repeast performance of their premier.



flight sim with an action feet. Plot. Wings 64 pushes past the original and gives the player a more realistic fleating experience in a wide variety of flying vehicles that need as differently as they look. Different views, constantly changing scenery, in addition to the fleat scaling are bound to make many players aware of a little problem they may have mislon saderess.



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first-person game where you are in
search of the unknown party who is in
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is capable of rendering any computer
system inoperative from orbit. Grab

your wits and begin your quest, but remember to keep an eve out

for the believed-to-be-dead agent 006 who is not working with you, but against you. If GoldenEye is anything like this year's much-anticipated move release, Nintendo will find little objection by



GOLDENEYE 007

players who are locking for a firstperson title with a twist. Grab the keys

person title with a twist. Grab the keys to your BMW packed with all of the necessary spy equipment and try to save the world from almost certain doom.



Turkey dinner in Japan!





STARFOX 64







intendo's spectacular F/X chip game that wowed players on the Super NES has a sequel (there was a 16-Bit sequel, but it got accepted in favor of this one) that will blow you away. This cart has smooth scrolling, texture-mapped polygons and all-new levels teeming with fast-paced shooter action.

StarFox 64 offers players two separate viewpoints. One from inside the ship, and one from behind it. The scrolling is much smoother than the

16-Bit version, and the texture-mapping adds a lot of detail. This cart is still early. and many story elements will probably be added.

Right now, the levels look similar in concept to those of the original, with your ship following a specific track You can still do barrel rolls to throw off enemy shots. Overall, StarFox 64 looks like We a lot of fun



LEGEND OF ZELDA 64

ne sequel that everyone's been dying to see is an update to Zeida. Well, here it is. Legend of Zeida 64 is an adventure that uses polygon characters to bring the realm of Hyrule alive. This game was extremely early, but if







the game will be awesome. In any case, Legend of Zelda 64 looks impressive. There are a few cool visual effects like sparks that fly when Link hits an enemy with his sword The storyline is still up in the air as Nintendo's not talking. However, whatever they have up their sleeve, you can bet that I'll generate the same excitement as the original game





BLAST DOZER



list Dozer is a unique game of destruction that allows you to pick the construction mech of choice and destroy anything you can that in a real 3-5 a timosphere you control from a third-yearen point of which is a real 3-5 a timosphere you control from a third-yearen point of which is you acquire a predetermined amount of money that can be used to upgrade your vehicle to cause so the property of t



ment sorolls quickly as you smash, jump and destroy your way through to the next level. Blast Dozer is the perfect game for the demented player who would rather use construction equipment to destroy buildings instead of adding on to them. But let's face it, blowing things us always more furn their building on to them.





STAR WARS SHADOW OF THE EMPIRE



with the home movie release of the Star Wars Trilogy, Ninkendo thought a proper to give U64 users the chance to climb into the cockpit of the Snow Speeder and defend the rebel base from the Impenial Walkers. Besting in an arctic setting, you and war commender.

are battling against not only the AT-AT's, but





also the Scott Walkers and possibly even the Probots. As with most of the Nintendo titles, not much of the game is being shown so early in its development, so everyone will just have to walt and see until Nintendo releases more

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into on these titles. Be sure not to miss this Star Wars release, because Nintendo has the exclusive rights to have this one solely appear on the Ultra 64. In other words, don't plan on seeing it available on any other system.

Oh well... perhaps they ont sind if I



Wave Race 64"



cre's Nintendo's answer to the slow of racing games out there. Wave Race 64 is best compared to F-Zero in water. You must compete against other watercraft in a series of

tough courses What makes Wave Race 64 so cool is the visual effect of the water that you race over. It has a really fluid movement to it that looks very realistic. When you turn a





comer, you create a wake. We're told that even the wave mechanics are real! More impres sive aspects of the came include lumps that you use to propel yourself ahead of the competition

BODY HARVEST



liens are attacking the Earth and you must save the human race from becoming the lunch of a few military. xenomorphs. To do this you must commandeer severa vehicles to fight the enemies on the land, at sea or in the air. Some of the vehicles at your disposal include a helicopter and a semi-truck. Not particularly the best weapons to save the Earth with, but you'll take what you can get. The graphics are comprised of texture-mapped polygons much like the other Nintendo 64 titles



There is plenty of rotation and scaling to show off the powers of Nintendo's new system This is certainly a bizarre game

vehicles combined with unusual man-eating aliens make Body This game was











BUGGY BOOGIE



By days Boogle is the battle shooting game in which you are in control of a buggy or exhibiting against horizon of a buggy or testings against only one or properties of the stress of the stress which is provided with control with the stress of the should be discovered by our craft from behind the surfer or in the code life of the best seet in the house to dissirry your enemy. The custom pasts that you expend your craft with the stress of the stre





improve its appearance. While not much is known at this time, it is speculated that Buggy Boogle may contain multiple worlds, heightmapped stages multiple perspec tives and even solit-screen view to allow for two three and even four players to do battle at the same time!

CREATOR'



reator utitizes the Ultra 64's robation and zoom capabilities, supplying the player with an impressive display of visuals that surround the game witch is based on some type of creation. At this early stage, your guess is as good as ours as to what the exact premise of this game is to be. This still



caught our attention, so you can bet more information will be on the way to players and a few interested editors.



Someone must have said that Sony is yoing to be competition next year.



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SUPER MARIO KART R



stendo's whiccord up a sequel to another of their classics: Marlo Kart. Players are treated to a whole new series of tracks, a few new faces and a load of cool extras. New courses? Certainly. Super Mario Kart R. has levels based on themes similar to



the original, like the Ghost House. The offects of the Nintendo 64 have lant this game some new features like really rupped courses that are fried with iumps. The scaling is smoother and the characters aren't quite as pixelated Possibly the best addition to this game is a four-player simultaneous

mode where the screen is divided into four separate sections. Slowdown? None. None of that here. Super Mario Kart features some new characters like Wario and someone who

looks very much like the little Koopa sorcerer. You can be sure that they'll have lots of tricks up their sleeve, too It'll be interesting to see what

nower-ups will be added With four people playing. 8 battle mode will be great. But like the other U64 titles where this name really shines is in the 3-D perspective. In one scene the car comes straight at you and instantly the screen switches























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CHEATING COMES TO 32-Bit systems

Datel and InterAct team up to bring out new code-finding peripherals

hoever said that cheating doesn't pay hasn't been to Datel's offices in England. Maker of the famous Action Replay for the 16-Bit systems. Datel has been actively working on new "Game Genie"-type devices for the Saturn, PlayStation and Ultra 641 Now working in conneration with the IIS mumbers

one controller companyinterAct Accessories-Datel's products will finally be available

club called Dangerous Waters set up where Game Shark owners can receive a newsletter with code updates at least eight times per year. There will be a nominal \$12 charge for membership Not often enough? No problem. Just dial up 1-900-773-SHARK (Note: This is a toll call-there will be charges.it How about being able to go to a Web site to get even more codes? For \$17 you will not only get the dub member ship, but also a special password that will give you access to the latest upto-the-minute secret codes on the Web site. The location is

http://www.smart.net / "Interact. Still not enough? Our ECM editors (which may no he overlable in the U.S.) that contains a board that plugs into your PC and

connects to your Saturn, With this super-powerful tool you can back away at the game. program code and create your own codes! Still interested? There's more! Perhaps vou're

not so adventure-

some and the

thought of working for your codes turns you off. Like the plug-and-play option? Again no problem InterAct will be bringing out a PlayStation memory card that not only has 120 name-save sints (Sony's has only 15 slots) but it also comes preprogrammed with the very latest and greatest codes and cheats for the most current PlayStation games This should be available now for about \$30. If money is fight, InterAct has a memory card equal in memory to Sony's expect that it costs only \$20





Of course it will come with some codes already on it

cheaper to boot.

If Saturn is your game. InterAct has you covered too. A Saturn memory cartridge will be available for about \$40 and it will have a full 8 Meas of memory on board. This is four times more than Sega's and considerably

Cheaper, better, more memory...how can interAct do it? One would think that the big guys like Sega and Sony could order by the zillions and baye it produced by apes in Africa. The answer

Located up in Manchester, England. Datel is a small but extremely efficient company that specializes in getting codes for every game for every system. After making the best code-getting device for the 16-Bit systems (Game Genie was the most popular but far from the best). Datel shifted their focus to the new 32-Bit systems. The first and easiest project was to look at the memory storage carts and cards for the Saturn and PlayStation, Nothing very



chains-Electronics Boutique. Babbanes, Software Ftc. and more InterAct plans to go after the codefinding cartridge market in a big way First, the name of all of Datel's products will be changed from Action

Benjay to Game Shark Second, InterAct plans to make sure that everybody who purchases a Game Shark has the opportunity to get all the latest codes. Not only will there be code updates in EGM but there will be a

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acrees you can choose an existing cheef or you can try to decipher new codes stored on the memory devices, Datel

complicated there, but Datel found out that the products from Segs and Sony were going to be priced very expensively. By shopping wisely for components and building them in-house. Datel was able to create the same product as the big guys for considerably less money.

created a compression program that sllows for more codes to be packed into the cart and card

Next. Datel investigated the possibility of creating a code-finding device for the Sah im. After the system was reverse engineered, they found

out that a Saturn Action Replay (Game Shark in the U.S.) was a possibility. A couple of months spent ironing out the details and the product was a reality. Now the same type of procedure was put to

the PlayStation and by the time you read this article, you will be able to buy the PlayStation Game Shark Their next project?

While Nintendo's Ultra 64 is still shrouded in mystery, the hacking gurus at Datel are eagerly

But why stop there? Where Sega and Sony sell empty memory devices, Datel devised a way to pre-encode their cards and carts with the latest tricks, thereby providing the players with a free but not insignificant bonus. In addition, after researching the way the data is actually

sharing the first information on this system so they can start work on yet another version of the Game Shark I ast but not least. Datel has come up with the ultimate cheating device-the Pro Comms Link. This is a device that indudes an interface board that plugs into your PC, and a short

Saturn Action Replay. With this system hooked up, the power of your PC can be channeled into finding your own custom codes. And best of all, you don't have to have a Ph.D in hacking. Here's an example: We started playing Parodius and deliberately lost a life. The game was paused and the computer asked whether the item we were looking for (more lives) went up, stayed the same or went down. We indicated that it went down and the computer did a search of all the items that went down. There were thousands. We repeated the process three more times and the Tives

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on the screen We typed the code in the Action Replay and sure enough, we

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never lost a life Imagine searching for all different things in all of the BETTON REPLAY SATURN WEST OR

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on the carts is the last step in making the cartri

names you own. Unfortunately, all you can do is imagine as InterAct currently has no plan to bring out the Pro Comms Link to the U.S. But if enough players ask for it, perhaps that might change.

Overall, we walked away from Date extremely impressed with what we saw. Even though they never developed a strong presence in the U.S. during the 16-Rit days, that is going to change real

fast with InterAct behind them For more information on the Game Shark memory cards and carts, contact InterAct at: 10945 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, MD, 21031, Their phone number is (410) 785-5661.



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Capcom's New Street Fighter!

Capcom cleaned house and brought in a new staff, **EGM** interviews their new prez

In hori you have a game as strong us disect Fight, what can go wrong? For yoars Capcom was on too of the word as the game sold itself. That was until the market was saturated with SF and the players finally said, "Frough!" Needless to say, the company's Japanese management

company's Japanese management felt called upon to make some changes. Now, there is a new staff and EGM caught up with their new prez

to see what they will do

different

WERE ASKED TO LEAVE [CAPCON]... t nges.

about where the market was going. I didn't believe that the market was exclusively one that was to be pursued through FMV.

EGN: Any reluctance in going from an Amenican company to a subsidiary of a Japanese company? Belland: I think any American executive who has not worked for a Japanese company asks that question. My experi-

ence has been extremely positive.

EGM: Any reluctance to join Capcom when there appeared to have been a

when there appeared to have been a house cleaning after the last Street Fighter problem? Ballerd: I want to make it clear that

make it clear that some people were asked to leave and some people decided to pursue other avenues. As we move from 16-bit world to a 32-bit world, the overheads that wore justificable in a previous era where them were

overheads that over sensitiative is a previous ear when there early an early of hardware units, simply are not sustainable in the SE-SE ear, Wheether it was a house cleaning or a strategic modulation of overhead, samelining had

to happen in our company.

EGNF: There are rumots circulating that there are warehouses of Super SF2 still in existence waiting to be sold. Are there any skeletons in the doset.

that have to be fixed before you move shead? Balland: That's the question I asked before I came on board and I checked very carefully Fortunately, most had been taken care of at a high cost. Capcom has cleaned up all its outstanding shutdross with the tratailers.



and a lot of well-known products were huge libs; now you have to create the new successes or your own. Is a going to be harder to keep the momentum going, and to meet the expectations of uspain? Selfardr. One of the treasons surfacessod, and one of the reasons why they hired me, was that the now ear of video-game business requires maily good execution at the marketing maily good execution at the marketing.



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EGM Capcom is a prefly large and powerful company; how did you get the job? Greg Balard: I was the COO at Digital Pictures and before that I was at Warner Music Group.

EGM: What video game experience do you have? Ballerd: I helped take Digital Pictures from being just a developer to actually becoming a NII-blown publisher.

EGM: Why did you leave Digital Pictures? Balland: I had some differences in philosophy. A different strategic sense.

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well on Saturn. And then we will have Street Fighter Alpha which is doing very well in the arcades. This could be the best year [ever] for Capcom.

EGM: Will Japon say 'SF Alpha is great, her are a million copies. do it." Ballard. The numer is that a how things were done in the past. We have actuall said no to several titles that didn't meet our oppositions. We have been asked what quantity we want to build. We control the eventory and I am the one who determines the numbers.

EGM With such a small number of 32-Bit systems in the market now, is there enough there to keep a company going? Ballard: The economics of the 32-Bit

market are so much more enticing. If we hit our numbers we will be profitable this year. With reduced overhead our new business model will allow us to be profitable in the 32-Bit market as early as the year.

EGM. You have a new top-secret U.S. development group called Capcom Digital Studios. What are they working on? Ballard: We have Fox Hunt coming



we will be requising a title Major Damage.

EGM: Will they do aroade games also! Ballard: One of the things the U.S. R&D group will do is start delivering some product into the U.S. coin-op market.

ECM: Any more 16-Bit games? Ballard: One more in the March time frame and that is Marvel Super Heroes.

EGM: Will we see Mega Man again? Ballard: Yes, I suspect we will see him again (smiles). EGM: How about a

EGM How about a compilation of all the Maga Man games on one disc? Ballard: We are exploring that with Japan. That is an example of the new Capcom where the U.S. is actively

the O.S. is actively making suggestions to the Japanese R&D group. We think that would be a very attractive product.

EGM: What about Werewolf: The Apocalypse? Bullard: It is on the schedule for mid next year.

ECM: How about sports games? Balland: I can't lell you the nature of the little but we have one game in development. It is brand new and unificensed. ECM: Now the obvious question... when will we see a Street Fighter 31 Bellerd: I honestly don't know tha answer.

ECML Whelf's taking Japan so long! Michaey dish have a problem with poing from MKII to MK3. Ballard: The designation of a title of SF3 is treated with the same reverence at Capcom as it will be treated by our consumers. If means a lot to us to put the number 3 next to x. It will be in every sense of the word at time.

ECM: If SF is so highly regarded, why did you self your game SF: The Mone to Acctaim?

Bellard. That was done before I came

on board. I laid Japen that giving the staffing at that point and given my relative newness, I didn't believe that we could do complete lustice to

those titles at that time.

EGM: At a PlayStation show in Japan I saw an animated

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shooting adventure where you are to release the population from the demented clutches of the New Order Nation. As one of the last of the free youth, you must use music as a weapon to fight against the oppressors and start a combined revolution with the help of Aerosmith.

and where to go when multiple paths are presented to you. Tons of secrets also await adventurous individuals who are ready to shoot every obscure spot on the screen that may conceal some hidden place or band membar. The title does not

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by taking out Aerosmith's music and replacing it with a receiling track that seems like a reject from Acclaim's

The graphics are extremely blocky, making the Genesis version of this multiplatform title the worst one yet visually. The background audio has also been changed from other versions



Spider-Man series

These flaws may be improved before final release. The game is no terrible on the Genesis, but it should definitely be tried before purchase. Y





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vidden in unusua burden than a joy to use for canisters that need players who are expecting to be destroyed a faster-controlling hero, before they reveal-Sound and background their predious-contents music are good but are not The graphics in Web of Fire outstanding compared to the are clear and highly detailed standard sound capability of

the Genesis... 7 = 1 Whether it is Peter-Bark or Ben Beilly under those blue and red tights, players who are big fans of Spider-Man or just superheroes in general will find Web of Fire to be challenging. The game has plenty of difficult programmed into it. Even oc the easy level, players may stumble. This game is one that should be tried before

the price is paid because players may find itschallenges too hard to handle. V

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There is No Such Thing as an Innocent Bystander

natural objects littering the with the keypad or the Stunner, allowing you to blest your way through the three

levels with the speed and accuracy of a pro Virtua Cop has a constantly changing 3-D perspective that scrolls smoothly by the

levels. The enemies come from anywhere on the screen; etimes they're right in your face or small and hard to hit in the background. Just when you get used to shoot-

ing at enemies in the midfield, you suddenly get startled by having an enemy jump in, taking half of the screen up and chopping you into



to mention blowing the bad guys into

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has more lying lead an all the mbo movie combined. explosion or when an enemy refinquishes it. Most of them pust increase the capacity of your weapon, but some are full auto, continuously firing white the buston is held down. Others work in three round bursts that conserve aimmo greatly.

lovel for you to by Jo assu-They are some of the deminal characters were to grace the screens of a TV. Wherever you are trying to shoot, a housing will goo up and yell the all-losformities, 'Help nee' end stand right between you and the extension you are trying to Mil. Mitmoghly one may not ready one they you have to save these hootages included it bitsing them and betting them.

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The graphics in VC are all outstanding. Everything is clear and bright, not lotting you wonder where you are gotting his from. The whole gatter plat from. The whole gatter plat from. The whole gatter plat from. The whole and accuracy more than your momorization of the levels and guessing where the enemies are white they are hidden in darkness or some other irritating influence. (Although memoization of the level does help.)

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Although the sturner adds a touch of realtern, many players will honestly find this game easier and more fun to play with the keypad, however. Overall, your best option is to try the game out for yourself and determine which one you prefer. This game is a must-have for violence-loving Saturn owners.





In space, no one can hear you die...







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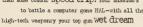


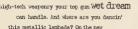
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for the highest frame rate ever. That means tent-pitching Velocity for our latest space combat n' carnage convention. But hev, it's more than some cosmic SDeed trip. Your mission's to battle a computer gone HAL-with all the





Sega Saturn, of course. Oh yeah, you'll be smokin' mister. But don't bother cracking a window. It's 32-bits of Solar windburn out there.



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ou've probably seen this game in your local arcades. The coin-on version of Revolution X was anally done by Midway, th a brand-new translate for the Sony PlayStation The cameplay is simplistic with one or two players guiding cursors over a constantly changing background. You can fire standard bullets or launch CDs. Along the way,

and a gun enhancement You'll need all of these to best back the tide of enemies who entlessly attack. The story takes place in an

ocalyptic world ruled by a tator. You are a freedom New Order, as the enemy is called, is comprised pre will face literally hundreds of

these cuys. On the late

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you'll find power-ups in the form of laserdiscs, shields natives and ninjas your way. All of them attack in pretty much the me way, with a projectile of some

hits. In fact, you'll end up blowing them apart piece by piece. (They resemble the enemies from Smash TV.) Revolution X adds some innovations to a genre long thought limited. First, there are times where you can sort. At the end of each area, you will choose your path. For come up against a huge Boss that example, you can opt to enter a building or sneak

around back. This way, each









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game is different every time

you play. This definitely adds to the play value.

Another cool part of Rev X is that you can shoot nearly everything on the screen. While stress relieving in itself it is possible to open up new

fou must best them all.

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Not many players play for points argument, but Breefattles X has planty of secrets for you to find. When you first land at the matrianes to the rich, you'll see a cut me a wail. He is with arrorad right COs to knock if down. Proj it with one more, and on allies will appear. Shoot the allies, and he'll saids into a

wait appear. Shoot the aliem, and be'll spit into a small ermy of critices. Shoot much own for a major lead of barus points. What other secret point tricks can you find?



The next three areas can t chosen in any order. You can save a busload of children in Egypt, or light your way through a munitions storage



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facility. You can also stop the New Order from experimenting on helpless girls in a laboratory. Each level is diverse enough to hold your interest.

The music of Revolution X was done by Aerosmith. The band members play a large part in the game, with you having to save their hides from the New Order forces. In terms of translation,

in terms of translation, everything from the arcade is here. Every little effect and trick can be enjoyed. The graphics are a little pixelated, but Revolution X scrolls just like its coin-op brother.

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Earth's Last Line of Defense

you'll want to build the

you don't have one, any

f you're looking for an excellent strategy game, you can't go wrong with X-Com. Based on the PC game of the same

name, players must save Earth from an onslaught of alien attacks X-Com gives you the

ability to build your base anywhere on the planet and name it, too. Build as many bases as you want, as long as you have money. From your bases you will conduct As the dame progresses



es you can learn into

aliens you capture will de

You want it to crash and

necessary teatures on each UFOs will occasionally be base. One example is the picked up on your radar. alien containment room. If You'll have to decide how to respond: The object is to. shoot down the alien ship

or have plenty of room in your As the game progresses

you'd meet many types of aliens. They range from cloaking things to creatures that can weer human skin ou'll have to study them to make things interesting, you have to try to capture some

not blow up It it crash lands, you can send a squad of soldiers in to neutralize the opposition you don't want to lose any in termation

The most important thing you can do to put the edds in your or is research. Bay as sy selentists as you c ists as you can d set them to work on a role project. If you do this Ill receive new Info every w days. Try to have bet 50 and 60 scientists. The faster they work, the sooner

The actual battle scenes. are turn-based like a military simulation. At first, most of the area on the screen is black. You can only see what's in your line of sight An aben can sneak up right behind you if you don't lose around. Aliens like to use sever so you'll have to blast it away, Chuck a



Beat the vstem...

life saver in this game. Take tage at the memory d. Instead at having all dur soldiers die aff in a essy mission, lead ap try again, or if you

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out snipers. Later on in the game, it is possible to acquire living power suits These give you the ultimate Bactical advantage. If you can position yourself on too of a UFO. you will most likely

chew up any atien that pops out. It's finding strategies like. Tiese that make X-Com so



X-Com is one of the best strategy dames around. The graphics may not be the most impressive, but it is very easy to get diawn

A few things have been

changed. Cinemas have





into it. The earle mood music the PC version of this game

is reminiscent of The Trans. is excellent with the controller but with the PlayStation mouse, it's just like playing the PC version. Y















DEFCON

Get Off While You Still Can!

new game for the PayStation: It may fook like one of the marky Dogm-clones out there, outthis title is so much more. -

efcon 5 is a strange

You are a programmer who was sent by a cosporation to Install security programs into the systems of a far-oil colony. Things went wrong. and now you have to find a way to escape

t all starts out simple enough, with you just hooking up the computer systems. The main segment of the game is from a first-person. perspective with yourwander ing through the colony canstructs. Try to memorize the

basic layout. You'll need to be able to get around in short periods of time later. Once percried into the computer you can start to get the systems online. Most important is getting each of the six purcturets functional These will work either with

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or without you: attacking ships. These The targetime stips in turn will attempt to depo in troops or disable

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the colony functions. If a ship manages to ge

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by with a squad of troops there are a few things you can do to survive. You have a number of automated nes that you can place



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at savelegic locations. Threst are mindless at best, but at east they can stow down the vicious enemy Bersetkers. You have saveral finarms for yourself, most of which you have to flod within the corndens of the colony "The Berselkers out more









lock Berserkers in some o the rooms. This is important because you won't here to werry ebout a depicted eir sepply. All you heve to de is get yourself to e computer terminal and bost ep to a Map Screen Bowere becaese enemies will be ceeliers and minh

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you respond to attacks, and how fast you eliminate prob lems. The total space that you can explore is massive

possibly acting new players lost. Defcon 5 is not just another Doom clone, rather it simulates a pseudo-realistic situation. This game may stanted slowly, but things heat up quickly enough.



"You'll be hunted down relentlessly by the Berserkers."

and more intelligent as the lutes the atmosphere game progresses. They all You can regulate the home in on your focation, is air by coening you have to keep moving. Killing the Berserkers will cre ate trouble too. There is a ser

Your best hopes of getting out give involve scavenging the necessary equic ment from downed

enemy ships and pleane fogether clues that pro your enemies are actually art of a corporate plot There's a lot of stuff to be accomplished. All the white

you'll have enemies hungre you down through the comdoes. Use the computer as a tool for stopping the enemies Defcon S as some excel-

lent graphics. Every section of the colony has been drawn. Cinémies show you taxing to the outer sections of the colohy. Each time you

play. The game is different 1

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Deploy those Drones...



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War-tern terrain and 3D graphics are ultre-molistic Look out for everny vehicles, ships, and arcreft then exported them with bone-shelong explosions!













ne of Capcom's many arcade Final Fight knock-offs will be reaching the PlayStation soon. You may have seen Warriors of Fate in an arcade It wasn't all that popular Think of WOF as Final Fight in Medieval Japan, You have your choice of five fighters: most of them play in a similar tashion. Each warrior has a Street Fighter-type move that can be done with a reverse Jump button. Yoga Flame. There are also power moves that can be

released by pressing the Attack and Jump buttons





at the same time. This, however, will drain life with each use. Each fighter also has a slide that can be executed by pressing diago nally downward with the

Here's a quick run-down to cive you an idea of what the five fighters are like. Please note that these names will

most likely change when this game is finally finished for a U.S. release. The first character is a warnor monk named Kan-U He's garbed in blue and white and has attacks

Haggar's. He

can soin around with his arms to knock foes away. Chou-Hi looks somewhat like a

barbarian. He's an unarmed fighter whose moves look like they're out of Slam Masters. He has the most throws of all the warriors. Third is Chou-Un. Arquably the hero of the game, he is a young samura. complete with sword. He has

a Dragon Punch-like uppercu

that can cleave foes in two Kou Chuu is an old archei who is best compared to the elf in King of Dragons. He may have limited detense























Guile's Flashkick.
After playing awhile, you'll notice Capcom's touch in most of the characters' attacks.

Throughout the game there are

game there are items to pick up. The most useful up. The most useful up attra points and lives in the topical bases stages. Another coapabilities, but he has does lots of damage. Another coapabilities, but he has

substantial and their line to peefel besses stages. a weapon that compatifities, but he has done lots of damage. Another well give you a horse. If you is the last in the lineup. He wears given amor and carries a long sword. His special simple and have a longer reach. Not too shabby.

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The graphics of Warriors of Fate are identical to the arcade. They are crisp and clear. The animation of each character in the game is smooth. It is possible to have a two-player simultaneous game. Surprisingly, there is no slowdown. There may sometimes he as many as 10 enemies on the screen. and there isn't even a single flicker, Impressive, in the end though, players might not lke the fact that this CD is repetitive. Once you beat it.





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playing. The same enemies are repeated over and over throughout the nine levels. You might also get a little preved at the lack of originality that Capcom displays with the attacks stolen from their other famous aumss. If there

stolen from their other farmous games. If there were new enomies for each level and more originality, this game would have truly been outstanding.

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lens. Cyborgs and Heavy Weaponry

he most recen addition to the Shockwave series is welcomed by enthus/asts who have enjoyed the first release of this two-part series. Shockwave 2: Beyond the Gate comes equipped with more playing options and a wider variety of batting craft to use on your missions.

The two CDs are filled with cinemas that quickly hook players into watching the characters in the game tell their story and give you valuable game into. The sometimes long segments of video are interesting and directed better than the

standard cinemas with bad scripts and horrible actors. The game features an easy-to-use in-ship Interface complete such actions as

communicating with the crew and lumping to different star systems. A hovercraft and a turnet have been added to this release. tripling your mission. requirements. They are a welcome addition, breaking up the monotony of using lust one ship repeatedly

outfitting your craft.

Visuals are crisp and run smoothly while you wander in the large rectangular landscape. Fall-down one-shot enomies appear from every comer and attempt to do harm to your ship. By using the radar screen in the lower center of your display, you

cari prepare for many incoming enemies by aiming early in the direction they are approaching. The nasties do not wander like sheep to the slaughter however. Many are fast moving, requiring you to waste a lot of ammo as you try to send them to a flery

death. Ammo conservation is another great concern while on a planet's surface. The masses of attackers will demand the use of much of your supplies, and the only way to recharge your stores is to get reffled by the resupply ship that hovers





over your craft. It file you estantaneously-not requiring you to wait there and get blasted as you try to recover from previous damage and weapon loss.

The feminine in mission computer voice supplies you with step-by-step informa tion and complains and rips into your shooting ability when your skills are not up to par. Ship comrades can also

appear on your commu cation screen and give you into (and give you a hard time as well

Gamers partial to the first release need to give this one a shot, it has evolved into a well-rounded action/advanture destined to ensure a future third release. V

kware 2 adds two mera craft to the standard thing craft irs ware accastsmed to in the first release. These craft are the hevercraft and the turnet. The hevercraft is a good hattle craft that is a let of his to use. Jet areand blasting amenium at a lever elevation. It headles like a raid hevercraft by sliding eat in terms if you are not asing any threat. The turnet adds some arrightabily offing yea in a non-moving armored pad. You have full

rel et the lasers and ets that yea must use to ilio order by using each ion path designated mission



"Shockwave 2 is destined to ensure a future third release in the series."



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It's Bubble-bursting Fun of all objects in order to

ust-A-Move is the bubble puzzle game where you are in control of the bubblereleasing apparatus that spits out different colored bubbles. which stick to the others that are already rooted in the game area. The game has

the same goal as most puzzle

games of this type, requiring

you to clear the entire screen

You are in control of five different colored bubbles that must be matched in groups of three to get them to explode. With properly placed shots. you can take out multiple bubbles by striking a weak spot in the bubble structure to save yourself more of the

precious time you are racing against. There are vertical walls on both sides of your bubble gun that can be used to bank shots off and squeeze the spheres into tight spots to get a hardst-A-Move may

advance to the next stage. emep skys but in reality yo are in a constar race against time to fire you







bbles and complete the el before the ceiling of the lying area squeezes out all of the screen room and ves you helpless



mind-bending title for the 3DO that presents a new approach to the falling block style of games, should seek this fille out. It is destined to give players hours of colored

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throw off the alien-to-goodpengun balance of power. Your job as either of the the good penguins into the Doomscale machine and keep the mutated ones from enterno at all costs. You can use tricks and traps to kill anything that walks into your mach. Machines such as the Seitre-Shafter the Chooper and the Grabansing will orind up the alien intruders. But beware, these machines are equally lethel to non-mutated penguinal Be sure to keep a sharp eye on the good guys.

heroes is basically to coax

ground into powder the same as the bad ones You can also get up close and personal by collecting the three letters that spell out your weapon and use it to problem with trying to kill

stun the evil guys. The only them all yourself as that your weapon will only stun them. unless you have it powered up. To power it up you have to grab power orbs that are produced when you smack any penguin (good or bad) with an unpowered weapo

Once you grab five power orbs in a row without using your weapon, you will see it grow in strength and you are now ready to smash some mutant penguin butt Little fluffy mops with feet



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Attack of the Mutant Penguns is one of those

Penguins is one of those sleeper titles that you wouldn't expect to be so addictive, but ends up consuming much of your time as you struggle more



USE THE GOOD PENGUINS

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MISSILE COMMAND

The Classic Hit Breaks Into

sen though we have some and years come and years come and years come and years the years, it's always a blast to like a walk down memory lane and fire up one of the original, hall-of-fame masterpieces. In their time, they were state of the art, now we look at these games as pieces of the past. After has taken one of their indice.

nate Missio Command and

added boruses that will keep not only the violation games happy but future players as well. In Missile Command . 30, there are three modes to test your skill: Original, 3-D and Virtual. The original is pretty self-explanatory; twodimensional gampalay with one objective. Protect your bases from an oristaught of weeps vatoric. The 3-D. "If you're looking for the original, the Jag is not where you're

where you're going to mad it!"Mode plays very much like the original, but has been

the original, but has been upgraded graphically to give the player the feel of being in control of the action from a command center placed a safe distance away from the destruction. The last mode of play is the Vintual Mode. Unlike the first two modes.

here you also have a setback view, but the 'virtual' comes into play when you have to switch between the bases. The strategy comes in when you realize the fate of the world is in your hands, are you up for the challenge? *



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extra modes lactaded in the game, ip on the heales of the original.

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Call the Hairclub, We Got Baldies!

veryone's squishy riends are lining up to build and battle on your Jag CD. Baldies puts you in charge of developing an armeda of the spineless masses to battle against hostile enemy forces. In the game, your mission is to

build your Baldie empire and search out the local enemy force to destroy them. The game follows these same guidelines through the various stages, but continues to increase the difficulty in the missions by raising the number of enemies and



"It is easy to lose track of time while

building the hairless troops."

starting your troops out with less equipment and supplies to begin the battle with There are four types of Baldies each with its own skills that benefit you in various ways. You access their skills by placing them inside structures that they build and making them to go to work. Each building can hold a set amount of Baldies

by balancing the number inside you control everything

from their research and weapons to their repopula tion habits. Increasing the number of soldiers inside allows the soldiers outside to shoot and use grenades

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scientists allows you to research new weapons and equipment to help your army

in the battle. Moving your cursor around the screen is extremely slow in the beginning of the game but will speed up if you can perfect the skill of using the A button to scroll around. Best results are obtained by finding the balance between the slow and fast-moving cursors and practicing with



he two extensively The graphics in Baldies

are fair at best. The characters and structures in the background are not as sharp as one would expect them to

be because of their small size. Players can still get a good feel for the action by just watching, but the visuals could have been more clear throughout. The music sounds like a cross between classical and Pee Wee's Playhouse but is still highly

imaginative and enjoyable

Besides the ability to just move the Baldies around and let them so about their besiness, you can move them into trees and amost



for this type of title

Baldies taps into the

strange and twisted part of

your brain that makes you

It is easy to get hooked on Baldies while acting as a god, controlling the hairless masses, For Jaguar CD owners, Baldies is bound to soak up much of your

your army for a here costaeght without moving each Buide to the enemy's landmass. The enemies can't find your troops hidden in the trees and therefore are safe from them. Once you release them, however, the enemy is le store for one back of a bad time cassed by flying beliefs and lobbed grenades

















In increase the number of year masses, keep a large amount of working Raides in each of your structures. They will confines to reproduce and release the new creations in your front ward so you can then designate which traff you want them to take. To get

even more Buildies, beild more bases and follow through with the same factic. Make sare you keep encesh beilders inside voer base to keep it from falling apart from a lack of attention, Players mest experiment with their own pame to find the balance that works best for them.









up to this platform's level

kind has grown begin creating virus dependent on the Datapods that clog the Overrido mainframe which was designed to handle the increasing complexity of the world net called the I-WAY. This system has worked for many years without a problem; however, its databases start to mutate and

I-WAY. Now, you are mankind's only hope to clean out the mutant databases and remove the virus datapods that are blocking the I-WAY Choose either a light, medium or heavy mech, then



enter the I-Way Attempt to clear out the datapods and databases by finding weapon and energy power-ups that will help you make more of a statement Your mission is to collect datapods that





Once this is complete, enter

polygon graphics. The levels

connected by a warp. These

have different staces that are

the datalink I-WAR is packed with

Once all the detapods are collected, the eath will remove the existing virus Be sure to stay on your programs. You also have to toes, because it is easy to destroy mutant databases to lose lives during the course stop viruses from appearing

of this fast-moving game. Players looking for the "I-WAR is the Jaguar alternative

to the PS Assault Rigs!

Jaquar alternative to the PS Assault Rigs should check this one out. The polygon visuals and the interaction between background objects make I-WAR a mech game to look out for if you're a Jaguar owner. T

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Conic's friend Tails stars n his first action game without the help of any of his comrades. As Talks, you can use your fast-swinging fex tail to lift you high off the ground and hover over dangerous objects. This

> "Tails' Adventure requires more

thought and planning than fast-action movement

flight can be sustained for as long as your energy mater allows you to keep up the demanding task Your health is acquired in the standard Sonic way by

canisters abound in the staces and allow you to store more than just the 10 you begin with. Canisters are usually located in an area right before a level Boss is encountered. Besides the flying capability, you have a small inventory

remote control craft and other

gathering rings and dropping

them when your character

falls into trouble. Ring

of weapons and special use forms that include standard rbs, timed bombs, small

speciality weapons. Using waspons is the only way to kill the one-hit enemies. Jumping on their heads as Sonic would will tust cause

Control of the fax is accurate, but the slow walking of the character

makes all movement appear sluggish unless he is flying The audio and sound effects climb above the standard for a Gamo Goar title

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race-against-the-clock movement, Talk' Adventure requires you to use your mind; not just reflexes and timing. Sonic should watch

out: his friend may become more popular than he is with decent titles like this. V





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The Stauf Mansion Has Sat Quietly for 70 Years, Until Now

ere are a lot of PC games that bear come and gone is the past: some good, some bad However there are a few that stick out in ever body's mind as being ground breakers." One such game that comes to mind is The 7th Guest- Upon its release, this masteroleon set the industry standard for future titles with excellent looking video; a competing

mind-boggling puzzles the sent gamers sourrying to the stores in sparch of a hint book. That was then, this is now, and Trilobyte has been hard at work preparing The 11th Hour. The Sequel for The 7th Guest, the second installment to the original dark and grisly tale. More than 70 years have passed since the original setting of the first game, and you play

reporter for a TV show. Gase Unsolved The story unfolds as you must head for the sterious Stauf Mansion in search of the show's missing producer who just happens to be your girffriend as

well. The gameolay in The 11th Hour similar to the of The 7th

lew twists to it. You will still have to explore the house and try your luck at the extremely complicated, has pulling puzzles that the avi Stauf has conjured up, but













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way searching through the

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object, you will be able to

watch a small segment of

video via the gamebook

that will reveal a little

time. When you have

successfully completed

your task of solving all

house and finding the

correct items, you will

he able to piece together

the story and find out the

bit of the story at a

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unike the first game, you are on a treasure hant for items. that Start has hidden in the thansing. There are many different items to oberact with but to angress through the game you will need to that on the correct one. In order to do this successfully. you will have to use a small gamebook much like a com-

puterized personal grounizer This is where you will not only look and save games view the floorplan of the house and receive help on the puzzles if you become stumped but also receive a small text due feeding you in the direction of the correct object you need to find in the house. For example, you tirst text ciue in the game is

winter coall used for a answers to a lot of the Trilobyte once again sets the standard in multimedia technology and interactive

entertainment with The 11th Hour





game. Sound easy? Not like ly. Right from the first puzzle you will find yourself wonder ing if the solution is ever remotory possible. If you're

superior graphics that will be wolf worth your money, The 11th Hour: The Sequel to The 7th Guest is just the game you've been waiting for! V





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Heart of the Tiger

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STUPIDITY The Streets Will Flow With the

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Your adventure begins in the worst nossible place: school. Your first objective is to figure out e way to get all the white keeping in mind out of class without cetting

crafty enough to make if to freedom, you can then choose to explore the different areas in your town

so Todd will let you join his gang. The game plays very much like a Sierra adventure game, with all the controls you need to use such as look, use, walk, talk and even your inventory located conveniently in an easy-touse interface that can be

click of the mouse button. Besides figuring out which items you need to pick up to progress through the game, there is humor to be found eventwhere by just looking at or touching gool stuff. Some of the areas that you can wreak havoc with in the game include the park, the Mini Mert, the Burger World end, of course, your house

pulled up with a quick right



get any better than this!"

just in case you feel like watching some videos that don't suck. One of the bonuses of Virtual Stupidity ere the special minigames that your feared leaders can participate in. After playing all the games and collecting all the necessary items, and meybe if you're cool enough. you will be worthy to join Todd's gang. ▼









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Here Come the Hounds killed and if you feel like it.

based soy thriller in which you are thrown into the world of Jack Fremont, a

normal guy who finds himself in unbelievable dircumstances. Your many missions will have you searching for missing launch codes, snatching a briefcase full of money and diamonds, avoiding being

getting the girl. Oh, and you only have 24 hours to save Los Angeles from the missile pointed at it

preparing themselves for a "follow the guided-line adventure" where you need only to sit back and watch the story reveal itself as you hit a few buttons, should get



mission is to find the mission codes to stop t d at Las Angeles. Peoples' lives hang in the

more closely. There are multiple paths allowing players to gather information, make real-time decisions and battie the bad guys. There are more than 20 different action sequences that will have you fighting hand to hand, skiing, snowboarding, recing and shooting while gereening at high speeds through a maze

ready to inspect Fox Hunt

of tunnels among many other actions. The game also features 10 different outcomes based entirely on the player's actions and chosen sequence of events during the riddle-solving process. Control revolves around

the use of the number pad for directions and the enter key to select the object in front of your face that you want to use. The loading











Capcom pushes FMV game technology w to motionpicture level





sequence between frames is Most of the actions are quick and will keep your attention tuned to the screen while the new into is accessed off the disc. All of the movements and actions are cinema-based Accessing different items in your environment will require

a player to click on an object

information out of it (such as

multiple times to get all the

designed to make the game feel non-linear and above all to entertain the player with humor and sarcasm. While some of the events are actually useful in your mission, these occurrences are few and far between.

are not interested in PC

much effort put into the title. For players just skimming over this article because they







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Adventure is more

You pilot a submersion

deep under the waves. This

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Unfortunately, it probably

tsh. It's a fun new way to do

perfect fantasy mood.

With RPGs being

held up by

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Loaded in mechs. The

version we saw was

rather early, but this

geme looks promising

You control a mech in

an erena-type situation

You heve a variety of weepons renging from missiles to lasers. Other mechs hunt you down in narrow corridors. The viewpoint is similar to Ladded, e.

pseudo-topdown view. You can scale in and out and rotate for different perspectives. This geme has a

perspectives.

This geme has a decidedly grainy look to it. There isn't much detail on the texture-mapped poygons, but hopefully

polygons, but hopefully the looks will be upgredod. Still, if you've been looking for an actionmech game, Exector might be just what you're looking for.



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Namco's hot shooter Galaxian? will be making an appearance on the PlayStation. This game is primarily a shooter set or de. One unique aspec

four-player simultaneous action. This has never been done before with a

Galaxian³ has a good chance of com

Samurai Shodown SNK's popular fighting game series continues with the third installment. This



segual boasts improved graphics and sound, along with an assortment of new characters complementing the older cast. Details are still sketchy on this one, but it appears that most of the older fighters have new moves, more super moves and keeping with

Be sure to keep an eye out for more on this hot game in a future issue. If this one is as hot as the two earlier carts, we'll be in for some really good times ahead.





The fichting thrills of Alpha) for the Saturn are coming your way. This game is almost finished, and here's a preview of what it's like: The graphics and sound are close to the arcade in every way. The control is top-notch and all the fighters are bere

We'll keep you posted.

In case you haven't heard place before Street Fighter II Ryu, Ken, Chun Li and Saga are in this version, and there too. Birdy and Adon, from the Guy from the Final Fight series. Super moves have



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Next Wave

Harmie Hopperhead is a Mario-esque action platform game. The main character is a clown of sorts viho can collect eggs and use them as tools The whole game has a very cartoony look to it, with better effects as the levels procress.

The gameplay is exactly like that found in a







SQUIDSPIT





The Hunt Is On

for underwater terrorists in this arcade shooter for the Sony PlayStation.
Power up your awesome arsenal of weapons



end it's en early grave for you.

back to the basics end creeted Bounty Hunter. This game is similar In design to Mad Dog McCree and Orime Patrol. The gameplay is rather

Bounty Hunter has e very unique feel to it. It looks like e real movie. with plenty of special effects FMV. Bounty Hunter will be right up your alley.









Iron Soldier 2



mech simulation has spawned a sequel, Iron Soldier 2 outs you in the cockpit of a grant-sized

war machine. You have rockets and missiles with which to crush buildings and shoot enemchappers. This game is more of what you liked in the original game. If you like shaded poly-

gons and heavy machinery, this cart is for you 164 R3M













es, players have more techniques and combos to

With a host of fighters from Alpha Counter moves makes the first two Street Fighter games plus a few new

for all-out fighting fury This game shows how good the PlayStation can be at converting arcade titles

Capcom's ultra-scary to the characters. After you PlayStation is nearing die. You now have the ability completion: We just acquired to grind his skull with your what we showed you a few

boot Eeew! Second, the playing area has been increased in size,

with lots of places to explore Each room is rendered

been more animation added

realistically, with different camera anales Last, there are also

Aside from the relentless rs will hunt you down owalf-like beings will added, with guns of all

Resident Evil looks like ITII be one of the fying games to hit a









DEFENDER 2000

The steest in the lineup of classic arcade games irranslated to the Jaguar is Defender 2000. This new update brings players to an all-new level of intensity. While the graphics haven't been improved much, there are Ittle arrinslators added like the human's move.

Some of the levels are detailed with rock taces or office, but its graphics aren't all that impressive. Defender 2000 has several now features, like jump gates that teleport you to other levels and the linclusion of power-ups.

been seen before in this game, so they're definitely a new hists on the old theme. There are even new enemies to take on. Of all the Jaguar translated stoo, Defender 2000 is the most improved. The level of intensity will win over a new generation of shooter lovers.





When I find EUB. Em ganna dress him up in

tim up " a tideous day-glow mini-skirt

Zoom In & Out Of Action

paint his toes Violet, and call him "Colly."

Then []] waste him.

When Good is A Sony" Playstation" If It Isn't







The plot is encapsulated in the 15-minute introduction cinema. You are a worker for a company who must take a month-long voyage to see his girlfriend in a far-away space station. When you arrive, you begin noticing that things aren't exactly right. For example, the place is surprisingly devoid of human life The bulk of the game has you solving mysteries. In fact,



You may have seen pictures of Alten Virus in earlier issues. Well, we recently received a 90 percent complete version to preview and here's the latest word Alten Virus is a point-andclick adventure game that

uses a similar format to many of the PC graphic adventures It will probably use the mouse when it's completed, but that hasn't been confirmed yet You have a variety of items to dick on. These will activate certain commands like Examine, Use and Open With these controls you are to navigate a space station

while solving puzzles.

no some batteries and repair a robot before you can leave the first room, You'll start feeling like McGyver after a few screens of playing The graphic style is dark

and you'll definitely get the creeps if you play this game with the lights off. The audio for now (who knows, it might stay this way) is simply a senes of mechanical sounds. ranging from the drone of generators to the gentle throb of the ventilation system. Overall, PlayStation owners might find a lot to like with this came. It provides a good scare, and it's a far cry from the bulk of action cames plaquing the platform







Heads up, here comes a side-scrolling action game

numbing power-ups that fry the enemies. The visual style looks similar to Captain

that only 32-Bit can handle. Not much is





laguar owners can finally have a high-profile game for their system, Primal Rane s like it will be a close ation of the arcade with







Time is a relationship that we have with the universe...

Peace is measured by defense conditions...



Zone Raiders

Zone Raiders is a futu where you control a variety of differ ent vehicles in a race to the death. re have been many types of is like this out for the PC, and the console systems, but Zone Raiders offers more to the player than just your average racing game. First

oks themselves are not only a, but can become increasingly licated with twists, turns, rumps

ile, when jumping from one the next, always make sure

for a sabotage. But there could also be hidden

power-ups, such as recharges. With the ability to upgrade to better and faster cars, and the amount of levels available, Zone Buiders looks like one of

Pyon/hody's favorite worm will soon be on its way to the PC courtesy. of Activision! All of the features that earned Earthworm Jim a Game of the



Year award for the platform systems will also be intact in this cross-platform version, along with a few extras. The graphics will nun eliabety factor, and will be enhanced over the cartridge version. There are brand-new sound effects. along with a CD audio soundtrack. Last but not



neverbefore-seen extra leveli



TEMPEST 2000





Defense conditions are observed, measured, and often predictable.

Defcon 1 is a prelude to annihilation; Defcon 5 a mandate for peace......



PEACE HAS

"An original space adventure combining strategy, action, and shooting game genres."

Human outposts in space are cheap targets for alien invaders, and the Tyron Corporation has cashed in on the defense systems they created to protect them. The fact that there has never



been documented proof of alien existence has not stopped them from making billions from humanity's fear of the unknown. An unsuspercing technician on a remore mining site discovers a deathy plot launched by the Tyron Corpoation to enture its monopoly on lucrative government defense contracts. Now considered a threat, the



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technician has the Tyron Corporation's undivided attention. With the full might of the corporation on his back, the technician races against time to get the word out before the corporation gets him.











· Immene younell in futuristic graphics beyond belief. . Surround yourself with high-ord, digitised sounds * Take a two-week subbatted to finish this game







IT'S GONNA BRUISE MORE Than egos.





MLBPA licensed stars and their stats. you'll be double-stealing, throwing smoke, and lacking them out of photo-realistic 3D stadiums. So while everyone else is crowin' about their polygon this and motion capture that, remember: Real Motion Control means ruthless, hyper-realistic action Championship Sport's 3D Baseball. We got it. They don't

able on the Sega Saturn** and the PlayStation** game console







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fopment was a big question mark for Sony, but they have loored many gaming pundits with NFL GamaDay and NHL Face-off.

MILL THE PLAYSTATION BE

appy New Year and what better way to start the year off right than to announce our top choices for the best sports games of 1995. Well, the year belonged to EA Sports, which hit for the cycle, it even wen in the baseball category by a whisker over the reigning champs, Sega Sports and World Series Raseball '95 for the Genesis. Madden '96 for the Genesis was given the ned as the best football name and NFL Primetime from Sega captured second spot. NHL Hockey '96 was the best bockey game of the year followed by Time Warner and their Wayne Gretzky title, EA Sports' FIFA Soccer once again took too honors

as best soccer game of the year.

This year EA Sports faces a difficult read if it wants to repeat Several big players entering the sports-game business will give EA Sports a run for your money. Konami is seeking to rekindle the success it had with games such as Double Oribble, has unleashed new 16- and 32-88

titles under its new sports line. Also nipping at EA Sports' heels will be Interplays VR Sports, One of its games, VR Baseball, is featured in our Inside Look sect On the football field, a battle is brewing

between Sony's NFL GameBay and EA's Madden '96. We'll have the playby-play for you on all of the new sports titles.



There's plenty on tap with High Velocity for the Saturn and VR Baseball '96 for the PlayStation

THE WORD IS OUT





CHIE FINAL EDITIO Carolina and Jacksonville # New Power-up the waiting is over Tecmo Super Bowf III. into the future. Awesome

The Walting is over recurso.

The Final Edition is here! And, according to Nintendo Power magazine." . . it looks like a winner Word on the street is that this could well be the best football game maybe even the best strorts same - to ever

come down the pike WANT REAL ACTIONS last set a load of these features. "New Free Agency System # Real NFL players, with photos . New NFL expansion teams, Cinema Screens . New player rosters New some schedules # New place # New player moves # New Seld patterns, and New sound effects.

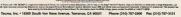
WANT SUPER REAL ACTIONS Then check out Tecmo's new and exclusive, unique Superstar feature. Can't find the player you need in the free spency market? Well, with Tecmo Super Bowl III you can create your own superstar! Then watch

BUT, A WORD - OR WORDS - OF WARNIN

Gamers have been reserving their copies of Tecmo Super Bowl III for a couple of months now, and the response has been tremendous. Which means that when this hits the shelves, demand will be strong and supplies may well be limited So, if you don't want to hear "Sorry we've out" better move NOW to get yours You don't want to miss goin' to the Super Bowl, do you?

him mature and improve over the season SALE NOW AT YOUR FAVORITE DEALERS, SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE, \$6900 OR I











n most parts of North America right now, it's more like ice fishing weather as opposed to regular futhing. However, Natsume is hoping you'll throw a line in and try to hock onto a lunker with this fishing game for the

and try to hook onto a lunker with this fishing game for the Super NES. Natsume has hooked up with Mark Davis, a heavy-

with Mark Davis, a heavyduty fisherman. He's the only mercate size to the control of the Pebruary Variable yestisted to the Natsume I6-Meg

angler ever to have won both the Bass Master Classic and Base Angler of the Year in the same seson. This game offers a unique fishing experience because the fish can't be seen until they ble. Mark's V

voice even utters words of encouragement or other remarks when a lunker breaks the

include, "It's a dink" (small fish), "You need to grow up" and, "Hang up, dadgum

it." This oneplayer game offers more than 600 different fishing spots to choose from Variables like wind



Use your holiday cash to add this to your gaming tackle boxt

conditions, various rod, reel and lure choice all determine how wall an angler does in any one of the five different fishing to unaments featured



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How would you design the perfect boxer?







Think of the most fearmone fighter imaginable More machine than man. Born to be the undisputed Henryweight Champson of the world. Did we say way. With devastating combos, hooks and uppercuts you might just earn that title shot. But hopefully







done using a password feature. A unique soft-screen feature pops up when you come upon a car in the lead

or a car comes up from behind you There are a number of

other features, including customizing the color, body type and

engine components of your car The better you customize your car. the better your standing will be on

any one of the three gruelling mountain courses.

In those races, you can race in whatever direction you prefer

If you are a die-hard racing fan and own a Saturn, you should burn some senous rubber to get your hands on

this game. PlayStation upons may have Ridge Rager, but now Saturn racing tans have High Velocity

Put your driving skills to the ultimate test with this

slick racing game.

After you build modify and change your car, add a turbo charger and save the changes with a password.



ered race to the frush line. This came allows you to tune up your oar for maxi-

mum performance and effi-

gency by adding new tires, a

new racing suspension or a

You can build or modify

your own car and save all of

the modifications you have

turbo charges









C Same to coding away

fs time to cruise away from an army of mechanical maniacs with a desire for destruction. In the aftermath of a

nuclear holocaust, you must embark on a high-speed adventure around four wickedly twisted tracks.

Those tracks are full of high-speed twists and turns, and the winner takes all. However, enemies surround you

at every furn.
This game
combines two
combines two
popular genres in one
game: racing and shooting.
Not only is your car built for
speed, but also it has a few
light-powered weepons that

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can do more than
give one of your
fellow racers a flat
tre. How about being
able to drop land mines,
fire lasers, missiles and
plant fire walls in your

onemies' paths?

Don't get too cocky. They

too can unleasth a world of hurt on you. It's your job to put the pedal to the metal and use your keen senses to smell out danger around every hairpin turn. When you blow away an

When you blow away an enemy, salvage the wreckage to acquire the weapons the vehicle left behind. JVC CD-RC

This game adds

an entirely new

blowing the doors

off the rest of the

meaning to

competition.

1 Racing 70%
graphics running at 30
frames per second.
The other cars on the trade

aren't pushovers. Each of your enemies is cunning because each enemy car has its own artificial intellgence sequence built in for a more challenging racing adventure.

Impact Racing is a winnertake-all battle for the checkered flag and the wreckage of your opponents, it certainly puts the phrase "right of way" into a whole new light.

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You can use them on other enemies who cross your path. This game from JVC also features a revolutionary object-oriented engine and features polyagon

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one who can bring out the big guns. Watch your back bumper as you make your way around the four race courses.





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t's time for some big-time rock-'em. ck-'em hockey action-the kind that would make Don Cherry's teeth sweat. Sory has put a good programming team together.

and this hockey game shows a lot of promise. You can create your own players, and there are five different types of checks including the infamous cross check, poke check,

shoulder check, hip check and slash. The game has four different views of the ice including three-quarter, side, down on

the ice and

overhead. All of your

favorite NHL teams and actual player rosters are in the game, even the Colorado Avalanche, formarly known as the

Quebec

Nordiques

nents. One-timers, slap

cute lifetike player moveshots and wrist shots are a few of the many offen

there will be a cinema show ing off hockey's grand prize. This does not only looks like the real game, but it also sounds like the real game. All 26 of the NHL's actual rinks are included in the game as

You can create your own players or hit the ice with any one of your favorite NHI teems with actual toom names and official jorseys.

that you can use to bulge the twine in this first hockey product for the Sony PlayStation.

Even the officiating crew has been orided to the action, and they will call everything, so keep it clean. Rough stuff within the rules is okay,

but don't bully your opponents If you plan on petting into the rough stuff, turn the penalties off, If your team is lucky enough to go all the way and win the Stanley Cut

well as some very gool crowd and bonch noises. This game has three modes of play, including one game, season and a play-off mode.

NHL Faceoff is one hard-hitting game that avid hockey fans should take a closer look at

The programmers at

Sony Interactive went above end beyond the call of duty by including every NHL team's loe rink in the game

No Pain, No Game!







WRESTLE A

SUPER NES GENESIS















NBA-In the Virtual Zone

ver since the 16-Bit era, games have hit new levels of realism despite memory and programming constraints. Today, with the advent of SGI workstations, high-tech programming tools and motion-capture technology, sports games are econoaching even higher

levels of true-to-ife play.

EA Sports has ruled the sports inclustry for some time at the 16-Bit level, but the launch of 32-Bit machines has brought about competition as tough as those on the hard courts around the NBA.

Konami is leading the fast break in the 32-Bit beeketball arena, with the first hoops game for the PlayStation, NBA: In the Zone.

Konami promises to produce the most realistic game with respect to players' animations, which surely gives this title an edge.

The game utilizes 3-D polygon graphics, the likes of which haven't been seen before in quality or quantity. The game speed is also very

realistic as the sprites mov up and down the court. Konami has successfully captured NBA's true-to-life

Konami has successfully captured NBA's true-to-life action with real-time players moves, such as dribbling, passing and shooting. Unlike other games from

the 16-Bit era, in the Zone provides several different camera angles that zoom around the court, enabling you to view the players as they make their moves to the basket. A special feature automatically replays when a player pulls off a great dunk.

or a fantastic inside move. Pictured on the right are three detailed playing views: the three-quarter, horizontal and vertical. The perspective changes as the game moves from end to end.

Another factor that brings this game closer to the real thing is the amount of detail placed on the players' appearances. You can actually recognize your favorite players by their detailed uniform numbers and their facial features. The entire court is set in.

an erena setting that mirrors

NBA: In the Zone offers three realistic playing views in all. Compare that to 16-Bit games that are limited to just one perspective.

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a real stadium, complete with sideline advertisements How much more real can you get?

you get?
That will be a question
Konami's competitors will
have to answer, and
answers won't come easily
Konami has set the benchmark for baskethall commo

interesting to see if or how it will be topped. But if this is what the

But if this is what the first generation of baskerbal games the PlayStation has to offer, it boggles the mind as to what improvements tuture games will be able

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Dramatic camere shots of players dunking over players or cirving down the sideline are a few examples of why this is the most realistic basketted game ever made.



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You have thought about it are about it. Stop dreaming. This put where. And it purs you the with puts that physics cannot explain, and drives that put a real hurt on the competition, not to mention the ball. Valora Valley Golf. where the

impossible is just another win.







BOX SCORe

AYSTATION . SONY IN GAMEDAY . PI

To the 10, the 15, the 20, the 40, the 50-Sony breaks a tackle and they could go all the way, rumbling, burnbling but never stumbling this gama scores a big-time TD. It'll give Madden a run. It's a great game and it's so much fun and realistic that you could see your



This could vary well be the Maddan game is close to perfect. All of the action on the field can't get any bettar, with grast tackles and other player abilities. The stadium comes alive wit raal-tima crowd reactions and chears. This is too real to pass up. You know change is good



Y CHAMPTONSHIP · SATURN · SEGA SPORTS

If you havan't had a reason to buy a Saturn, you do now. Saga Rally has all of the action and adventura of its arcada cousin. If you ware disappoint ed with Daytona, you won't be with Saga Raily. It's a great game that will



have the mud fiving long into the night. It's a kaeper and it's only available for the Saturn

morning with bruises!



A creat translation from the arcada. Daytona should have been dona this way. The racing perspective is incredibly smooth. It's too smooth, though You may have some trouble controlling your vehicle, but that shouldn't bother you. You'll get the hang of it after a few races. In the end, the game needs

more tracks

ticket is right here.

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SEBALL · SATURN · SEGA SPORTS

a month aarly. Daspite some major, ougs, it's still a great basaball came Basad on the Japanese game





Welcoma to the Big Show, literally! For one thing basebell is hard to translate, but Seca pulled off the bast-looking game yet. I can't imagine anything better. The sounds (commentary) are great and clear while the graphics an outstanding. You have an antire season of basaball and the saasor



It's a FUMBLEI Emmitt Smith doesn't often fumble, but this game is outclassed by its competition, isn't that much fun to play and should stay on the banch. The gameolay is choopy and the only thing that saves this gama from sitting on the

banch is its play aditor. A featura that allows you to design your own plays.



There isn't any praise that I can think of. I'm really disappointed in the outcome of its gamaplay and appearance The players' movements needed more frames and needed to be bigger. You easily get lost in the pile. The Play Editor is a neat feature, but it needs more than





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Road Rash PS • EA Sports





adventure of the Genesis varsions As well it has a rocking soundtrack that will have you hooking up your PlayStation to the family stereo and cranking up the

The notice are back and they can't be fooled. If you get knocked off your bike this time around don't have a cow and don't try to If you haven't kissed the hide behind one or you will payement lately, pucker up be busted in a big way.



VR Golf '96

VR Baseball '96 PS/Saturn/PC CD-ROM • Interplay



to the plate with a baseball game that features 3-D polygon-based players. Simulation and arredo style gameplay, a home run derby and the game is licensed by Major League Baseball and the Major League Players

VR Sports is stepping up



Association The game also features the VR PressCentre Presentation This feature allows you to stay on ton of all of the action around the majors. You can customize your team and play in any one of your favorite

bin-league ball parks.

plate with VR Baseball '96.

NFL OB Club '96

Saturn · Acclaim



weether you can still enjoy your favorite sport on one of three different formats from Internlay's VR Sports They have teamed up with Gremin Interactive to





Avid football fans won't want to be without the Club

First down! Acclaim is takino its football license to the Saturn and they plan to throw the ball deep. This game features motioncapture technology, so the animations are smooth throat e se

If you're looking for bigtime football action, then wait until you get to play this game with actual NFL teams, names and logos More signature plays from the NFI 's ton quarterbacks have been added. The ever-popular "CRUNCH TIME" simulator is back to test your football skills



commentary and shot replays



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LETTER OF THE MONTH

Was Senator Bob Dole Misunderstood?

Dear EGM,

I have rarely been critical of EGM, but you really made a big screw-up in Issue #75 by naming Curt Carlson's letter "Letter of The Month." His letter was incoherent and misdirected babble. I'll make it real simple...when Senator Bob Dole gave his "pop culture and values" speech a few months back, he was directing it at two groups: moviemakers and TV producers and to some extent. chairs of corporations. What he was complaining about was the predomnance of brutally dark, violent and antisocial product created by many wovie studios. TV studios and entertainment businesses. In that entire speech, he did not blame games for society's ilis. In that entire speech, he did no once mention bans or requisition Actually, Dole was expressing his opinion. Everybody has a right to do that whether they can vote or not, and whether they are a member of the U.S. House, U.S. Senate or just some kid wasting money on dorky pames like Mortal Kombat 3. Again, Dole never said one thing about regulating the media (or video cames)! He smoly said that much of popular culture displayed negative imanes Where yours Master Carlson derived the idea that Bob Dole wants to take away his MK3 is beyond explana-

handy whipping boys for politicians, and acts like rating games or holding hear ings don't stick in voters' minds. Joseph I. Lieberman (if you don't know who he is Enuty Pants, then you shouldn't edithis map) incidentally concluded his set of Senate hearings over a year before he was set up for re-election in 1994. Lieberman won re-election easily with out a word spoken of fatalities or Shang Tsung. You guys should give more thought to giving such a foolish letter a prize. Letters like that are why 13-yearolds apprit nermitted to yote.

Matthew McGinn of Alexandria, VA.

First, Matthew, I am not a "Fruity Parts." Second I can see where both Ourt and you are coming from Pathicians to accomionally bring up the utiles even issue to eain the parents' with, but I do sures with we as the fact that video games are not what Dale was actually referring to, Some might have read into what he were saying and thought the recomment was offered by the regulating the modio, which includes video games. Lauth, you seem a little stressed out over this schole link Belo thing, I think you should call down se the caffesto.

P.S. Who is this Joseph Leberman character? Creat Letter Matthews, Your Ecclaim Dark Tarks

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ion. By the way, video games are not

. Vitas Bob Dole talking about regulating video games? Matthew deasn't think sol



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I'm having a had hair day

The Next-Generation stem Vars...Again

Dear ECM.

This is for all the people who cannot decide which system to get. Let us look at all the facts, shall we? 1) There are three 32-Bit systems out [right now] in the U.S. 2) Realizing this, we must look to the future of where these systems will be. The 3DO has been out for a counter of years with over 700,000 units sold so far. This system is the only one that supports an unpradeable obin to make the system a 64-Bit system. The cost is low: successed retail price is rumored to be \$150-200. The PlayStation is a very powerful system with support from every software company out there eager to make games for it. The problem is that it can't really be upgraded along the same lines as the 3DO. You will have to shell out for the PlayStation 2. PlayStation 3. PlayStation 4. all of which are on the drawing board. One good point is that all games will be able to be played on future PlayStations Sega Saturn, no hope. Realistically, Sega is facing a tough battle-having four systems to maintain games on is no easy task. Game Gear, Genosis, 32X and Saturn are all still on the market for the consumer to buy and be disappointed by lack of quality games. The Saturn itself is a monster when it comes to graphic texture mapping and flat shaded polynous, but the chin setup is not efficient in doing these tasks and ask for special programming to sidestep these shortcomings. This results in slower game releases for the system. You will have to shall out for the Saturn 2 when it comes out also. Bottom line is: Which one? Well, if you are new to



the video-game realm, go with the Sony

. With the next-generation eveters out what will happen in the 18-Bit market? so you know the games will be there for you, because these people are easily impressed with these types of graphics The real video camers know the real system to get is the 3DO. It has the most potential to outlast these other guys with their M2 upgrade which is more powerful than the Ultra 64. Sorry Sega, the future doesn't look bright unless you have a mirade up your sleeve. Thanks for listening

Shawn Webster Via AOL

Dear ECM I'm 24 waars old and have been reading your macazine for a long time and have seen it change over the years. And I have seen the carring market change as well. Now the next-generation machines are outlooming out and nonple scurry for these high-tech babies. I have a Super NES and still support it. With hot cames like Final Fantacy III Chrono Trigger, Killer Instinct, Donkey Kong Country 2 and even Super Merio World 2 all creat cames why worry about a next-generation machine when there is obviously life in the 16-Bit machines? Nintando knows this, which is why they are pushing its machine to its limit. I think more companies are worned about pushing their machines instead of pumping a new machine. every time it gets gutdated (sound floe computers?). That's why Sega bothers me. They had the Genesis, which was a smart move, seeing as the Master System was dead. Then Sega CD came out after the Super NES made its around, which was also. Now the Super NES is still going strong, and what do they do? Create a Saturn, Now I can see it was to get the upper hand, make a new powerful system when it can't keep up with the others. The Super NES is still going strong, so they bring out the 32X. Now that was stupid, I mean with Salum coming out, what's the point in getting a 32X? It seems that Sega has all these systems (Master System, Genesis, Saturn, Seca CD. 32X, Mergury Venus). Where does it end? Nintendo has three...NES Super NES and the upcoming Ultra 64 (I didn't include BG or VB). These three machines were all great, while there were two or three versions of the Genesis. I

believe the NU64 will do very well and

Saturn seems to have one toot in the

will have a good following of titles

shouldn't have done the extra release They should have done what Nintendo did: hold out for the games. PlayStation (\$390) is a much better deal. Better prices with more and better titles to choose from. I will get the NU64. If the names will be like KI (which was an amazing game) and Cruis'n USA (a. really awageme car game). I know if? do wall. Now they have George Lucas (LucasArts) interested in doing a special title just for it, and then managed to get Sierra's interest, which has been difficult to do. In the end, I think Nintendo's

Litra 64. PlayStation and 3DO will stand

grave already, and if Sega doesn't

smarten up, it may die before its trne.

there aren't many titles, and at \$500+

with only a handful of games, most of

which are choosey, why bother? Sees

It'll join the Lynx and Japuar. Over here

over it all....In that order. Sean Andersen

via the Internet

Dear EGM.

I was recently browsing at a pawn shop when, lo and behold-a Sega Saturn! It did not come with Virtua Fighter (since it had been stolen from the shop), but it did come with the demo disc and two controllers. All this for a mere \$179! What a deal! Though I'm a poor college student (who, by the way, had already bought a PlayStation), this was an offer I just couldn't refuse Besides, they're already renting Saturn and PlayStation games at Blockbuste I'll just rent Virtua Fighter, It was the coolest thing that could happen to a die-hard camer-until I oot home. I popped in the demo disc to find generic graphics and some goofy guy in a ski cap. The previews of the games were done very poorly. The demo disc



will be better than its predecess

 I just had a cast removed from my less the other day. Football accident. Anyway, my leg was all shriveled up and there was this stinky brownish slime. What was it? And is it recyclable?

Mark Leland Austin, Texas

A: That strange glop is actually a special kind of radioactive cheese Sources say some third-world secret super weapon. You might be able to get a few dollars there

This is Finn. I'm at the drop. I've sot the rifle set up and about 10 pounds of plastique set around the base of the tower. What next? Shark Lover Scattle, WA

A: Pop the caps as soon as vow see signs of activity, and blow the site sky high. The evil corporation

O: Dear EGM, I was thinking about your very own Danyon Carpenter, I love his solid figure from his Review Crew icon, I dream about him every night. Is there a way I can go out with him? He's my dream date

Jason Marshall Woodfall VA

A: Danson is not really seeing amone right now. With all of the editors finding love this season, it only seems natural that our favorite editor needs to find someone too. You are not his type, Joson, but

The Next Generation stem Wars...Again

the one for the PlayStation. I thought "Oh well, it's just a domo. The games will be a lot better?" I rented Virtua Fighter. This game wasn't too bad, but It was nothing compared to Battle Arena Toshinden! Then in a recent issue of EGM, a picture of Toshinden 1.5 for the Saturn was shown. It looked like a drawing done on Mario Paint by an 8-year-old The graphics looked fuzzy and lacked detail. Now everyone is talk ing about how developers, even Sega's own, are disappointed in the machine and find it extremely difficult to get it to work efficiently. Because of the Saturn's mability to display quality graphics (as compared to PlayStation, Ultra 64 and 3DO's M2), many bro-name developers (such as EA) are siding with the other companies. Is this supposed to instill a sense of confidence in the machine in the minds of gamers/would-be Seturn owners? Why would somebody pay \$100 more for a machine that would be obsolete in a short while (and actually already is)? Re-evaluating that situation in the pawn shop that day, I think I made a poor choice. I plan to sell the Saturn and stick with Sony, Besides, many of the games coming out for the Saturn are also coming out for the PlayStation, It is my belief that these games will be of higher quality on Sony's machine. Could it be that Saturn is just another 32X? Seca is already talking about Saturn 2. Will they expect the gaming populace to go out and buy a new machine after dishing out \$399 for one so recently? Sega has lost my respect and, no doubt, the respect of many other gamers. I believe Sony puts it best in the ad that says, "If you still want a Saturn, your head is in Uranus." William Brady

via the Internet

Dear ECM. it's becoming cuite clear that the on-

coing evalution of home video asme systems has no end in sight for the foreseeable future. We now have nextgeneration systems such as the Saturn and PlayStation fighting for our hardserned dollars. Soon we will have the M2 upgrade for the 3DO and of course the much-anticipated Nintendo Litra 64 (Let's pray the Big N doesn't push back the release date of April '96). With all these new systems, many gamers may be having a tough time deciding which system is the best buy. Before buying the system with the most bits, most megs, most colors or for that matter the most anything, consider the mosimportant aspect of any system: gamesi Think about it: A system with the most incredible processor speed and a real lack of fun titles and/or third-party support is nothing more than a clorified dust collector. Fun games are what make a system great, not bits. Don't get me wrong. I know some of the new systems have capabilities the Genesis or Super NES could only dream of, but lately, the games coming out for sponto-be-replaced 16-Bit systems have been nothing short of excellent. Let's take a look at the Super NES games: Chrono Trigger, Killer Instinct, Super Mario World 2: Yoshi's Island and the soon-to-be-released Donkey Kong 2. All are and will be incredible titles in their own right. All without the help of 32-Bits. Yes, many of the new games currently being released for the new systems are fun and a sight to behold but I'll wran up by asking this question: Do you abandon the 32-Bit systems when the 64-Bit systems become available? Absolutely not! There will no doubt be a slew of great games for the PlayStation and possibly the Saturn by the time new systems arrive. The bottom line: Who cares how many bits. meas or whatever else the marketing teams of the garning companies say their systems have. I just want to play games with great graphics and great control. As another gaming company likes to say, "Do the math," Don't worry

> **Mike Martinez** via the Internet



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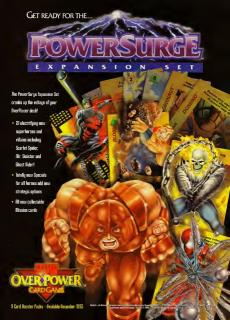
As a reader of your mag ever since the first issue. I have always noticed how you are constantly trying to update the format of your magazine. This is good, but I think you guys are missing something. The current trend newadays seems to be that most computer made are coming bundled with these CD samplers for the consumer. With the explosion of the Saturn and the PlayStation (two awasome CD) systems) don't you think it would be cool to insert something similar in EGM? It would not only increase the

awareness of a particular game, but it would also advertise what is to come Take a look at the PlayStation demodisc. It's practically one long movie trailer. It's really cool! Why shouldn't the "Biggost and the Bost" be first in the industry to make such a move? After all, you were practically the first video-game mag to cater to the hardcore gamer even during the old 8-Bit days, Believe me, I remember! lan Keiner: Pasadena, CA

Well, Ice, I have same good nave and same bar naws. The good news in that we are thinking about including agreeions with the messages. The bad name is there are many loctors that might loop un Iram daing sa. Anathar Sandai publication. Computer Scott Soview (CSR), has lest recently elected packing in CO-ROM partniars and we are writing to get leadback on how wall the eew addition to the more in doing, Another tector is the price it will cost to subscribery as wall as up. Obvisorly, the price of the magazina will on up at legat \$1 per lasse and the typical requires publications only sall 60 percent at all regariose produced. That means, 40 percent al all the magazines produced we lase manay an, which means his backs. One secouse to their problem would be to include a card in each



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menazine (similar to a autocription card) tha would allow you to cond it in with a minimal fee. and we would sond you a sompler CD-EOM in return, Bottom Iras: We are still contemplating whether or not packing in complex CO-NONto in tensible, if on, you will be the first to know, les

RPC Fans Unite! Dear ECM. I'm disappointed. One of the main

reasons is that I bought my PlayStation and Saturn game consoles with the promise of great and more immersive RPGs. Now I'm hearing that Sony will not release Arc the Lad in the U.S., and Sega hasn't even mentioned if they are going to bring out games such as Blue Seed, Shining Wisdom or Dark Saviour I love the sports sims and the fighters, but the real garning experience is sitting down with a great RPG and spending many hours solving the game as you become immersed in that reality Can you tell me if Sony or Sega are planning to bring any of these games to the States? If not, I think I will have to purchase the Ultra 64, since I know they have always had great RPGs in the States. Do you know if Nintendo will continue to put out RPGs for the Utra 64 system? Ultimately, all of the three main next-generation systems can produce great sports sims, shooters and fighters, but I think the compa my who pays attention to the rapidly increasing number of RPG players will gain a greater percentage of the market share. If the 32-Bit consoles are sunposed to appeal to an older carring crowd, (20e-30s), Sega and Sony better wake up and start giving us the times of games we want, or we will

take our dollars to the system that will Dear ECM. I have just one simple question: Are there any RPG games that are going

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RPG Eans Unite! (cont.)

to be released for the PlayStation? From all the magazines, it doesn't seem like there is hope. Please tell me it is not true. I am dving for a good RPG. I was so desperate, I traded Power Serve Tennis (wasn't that great anyway) and Raiden Project for Chrono Trigger on the Super NES I hesitated in doing this because I don't want to spend more money on a system that I'm going to let go soon. It was either Chrono Trigger or Arc the Lad in Japanese, which the salesper son assured me that I can play and finish the game without any knowledge of the Japanese language, Somehow, I think he just wanted to sell the \$80 game and get his commission, I can't floure out how you can play an RPG game without understanding what you are supposed to do, so I traded Arryway, please tell me there is an RPG coming out for the PlayStation 1 mean a real RPG, not an action/adventure/RPG. I want something like the FF senes. Once again, please say there is hope, and thank you for your time.

Peter Lee via the Internet

The following should memor all your concorns Peter end Bost. There are RPGs for Salura the Mysteria, Enfortunately us don't know of any other RFS titles coming out for the Satura any time scon. There is a chance that Shaire Windom might be comme to the Strawn, but no official word yet. As for the Scoy PlacStation. two companies wanted to brune Arc the Lad to the States (Denselation and oil), but Sony did not give the cross light. There is a possibility King's Field II will be hitting the U.S., but apple. no official word. See thing you have to keep in mind is all the first if taken to bring an RPC title from exercises. The text and pict has to be trenslated and possibly changed, and efter the text is choseed, it must be debugged, Unlike Josep who does not mind haps in comes (then ectually enjoy hoding lags in games), the U.S. namers must have a "busines" same, so the title must se through extrastive teeting. Servi to erry, it doce not look like there are going to be a slew of RPG games bitting the Salara or PlayStation shelves enviling soon, he ler the Ultre 84, runer has it that Square in working on the next Final Fantany name, but once enam. no conferencies on that little either.

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